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PREFACE

Great care has been taken to make the information in this book exact and complete. In preparing the chronology I sent letters to each person concerned and received replies from the greater part. In preparing the biographies the same care was exercised, but fewer replies were received and I had to rely largely on the local papers. Items gathered from my transcripts of early records and my genealogical gleanings were inserted. In the section devoted to the directory doubtless will be found the greatest number of deficiencies, deficiencies due not only to my lack of knowledge, but also to the fact that prominent persons in the societies, to whom I applied for information, were neglectful or indifferent. Despite its imperfections, however, I feel that this little book will be a useful record of the year, and, while I do not commit myself to the publication of a year book for the present year, if I do undertake this task I feel sure I shall profit by my present experience, and that requests for information will receive answers more prompt, more exact and more complete.

G. E. CONGDON.

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CHRONOLOGY

JANUARY

1. Annual business meeting of the Presbyterian church.

4. Born to Mr. and Mrs. William F. Wiltberger, of DeKalb, a son.—DeKalb Review.

6. Installation of officers, Waterman Camp, 1572, M. W. A.

9. John Stern died (see biography).

10. Mrs. Catharine Woods Darnell died at Plano (see biography).

11. Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McCleery, a son. —Leader.

13. Born to Benjamin and Dora (Burmester) Alford, a daughter, named Maud Elnora.

14. Born to Henry and Daisy (Woodruff) Starry, a daughter.—Leader.

15. Byron W. King, impersonator, at the U. P. church.

23. Ephraim Jackson Wood and Mary Halloway married.—Leader.

29. Mrs. James W. McAllister died (see biography).

Charles Tompkins, jr., and Gertrude Ames married.

31. Born to Willard W. and Elizabeth (Cross) Spencer, a son, named Ralph Vernon.

Ed Leifheit and Rosa Leifheit married.—Leader.

FEBRUARY

2. G. W. Rollins died in Chicago (see biography).

3. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Reingardt, a son.— Leader.

4. Fred Bend, of Paw Paw, and Grace Merritt married at Aurora.—Leader.

Walter O. Wiltberger, of Hinckley, and Harriet I. Cook, of Wisconsin, married at Rockford.—Leader.

5. Roy Earle Greenfield and Lydia Marie Lawrence married at Sandwich.

7. Village school gave a basket sociable and old-fashioned spelling match. Total receipts exceeded $70.00.

11. Mrs. E. W. Hicks died at Toulon, Illinois (see biography).

12. Mrs. Emmet G. Deming died (see biography).

13. Christian Endeavor gave an old-fashioned oyster supper at the Masonic hall.

19. Mrs. Della Yeasrnhaw died at Walnut Grove, California (see biography).

23. Born to Orvis and Emma (Potter) Stryker, a daughter, named Harriet Martha.

28. Michael Muller committed suicide by cutting his throat and shooting himself.

S. M. Henderson occupied his new house on B street.

MARCH

3. John Grandadam died.—Leader.

5. Born to John J. and Lotta M. (Greene) Murray, of Chicago, a daughter, named Gladys M.

10. Byron W. King, impersonator, at the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mertie E. Kirkpatrick died.

11. Roy Eberly and Lizzie Leifheit married at Hinckley.—Leader.

Born to Arthur and Amelia (Bossong) Burgin, a son.—Leader.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Olson, a daughter.—Leader.

12. Thomas Graham died at Conway Springs, Kansas (see biography).

13. Carom Club closed their second season with a banquet at the Masonic hall.

Joseph Lugo occupied his new house on C street, commenced the November previous.

15. Republican (union) caucus to nominate town officers.

17. Prof. Henry Flinders died at Chinook, Montana. —Shabbona Express.

20. Twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church at the church parlors.

Al Hall and Alice Davenport married.

21. Mrs. C. M. Stram died at Shabbona (see biography).

23. Mrs. Peter McClellan died; born Isabel Beveridge, October 5, 1830.

25. Born to Ward and Mary G. (Reid) McAllister, a son, named Ralph Graham.

26. Walter A. Drake and Minnie M. Sarbaugh married at DeKalb.

Born to John and Mollie (Eigle) Hines a daughter, named Elsie Mildred.

29. A barn owned by Mrs. Fannie Hinds burned to the ground.—Leader.

31. Henry B. Darnell, of Plano, died (see biography).

APRIL

1. Annual town meeting. The proposition to build a town hall was defeated 51 to 41.

Frank S. Greeley began a farm residence; dimensions 32 by 50; heated by furnace and piped for water and gas.

W. J. Randles began a farm residence; size 34 by 38; cost $2,500.

2. Howard McCleery, of Waterman, and Ethel Carothers, of Stronghurst, Illinois, married at Stronghurst.

Born to Charles and Frances (Wilson) Crowell, a son. —Leader.

4. John D. and Elizabeth (Sinclair) McDiarmid, of Big Rock, celebrated their golden wedding.

5. Republican caucus to elect delegates to the county convention.

7. Mrs. William Potter died at Winfield, Kansas (see biography).

8. A. J. C. Fearon opened his restaurant in the E. Dean building.

10. Frank Johnson and Sadie Graham married at the home of the bride's parents, near Aurora.

15. Tower at Northwestern crossing put in operation about this date.

Village election; 124 votes cast; for license 53, against 69.

18. Mrs. Celestia Pritchard died at the Hahneman hospital, Chicago (see biography).

29. Mrs. Jane Barker died.—Leader.

MAY

7. Henry Wollenweber, brother of Mrs. H. W. Leifheit, died at Los Angeles, California.—Leader.

Born to Rev. M. G. and Maude (Stram) Bentley, of Linn Grove, Iowa, a son.—Shabbona Express.

13. Dr. Johnson Low, of Shabbona, and Orpha M. Hunt, of Nashua, Iowa, married at Nashua.

20. Mrs. Arthur Burgen died (see biography).

21. Ralph Vernon Spencer died; born January 31.

22. DeKalb County Prohibition convention met at Sycamore; Howard McCleery, of Waterman, nominated for county clerk.

Born to Nels and Sarah (Olson) Johnson, a son, named Martin Chris.

Postoffice at Franks discontinued.—Sandwich Argus.

25. Friends at Early, Iowa, assist Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Mennis in the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

27. George Wood and Nellie Keller, of Nekoosa, Wisconsin, married at Waterman.

30. Memorial Day. Address at Johnson's Grove cemetery, by Rev. W. H. Tibbles, of Rochelle.

JUNE

2. Very heavy rainstorms all over county; heavy loss by winds; trains delayed. Lightning destroyed former residence of James McCleery, used as a tool house.

Sarah J. McAllister died (see biography of Mrs. J. W. McAllister.)

6. A second severe storm visited the county.

8. Baccalaureate address by Rev. Isaiah Villars, D. D., of the Methodist Episcopal church—"Our Sufficiency is of God" (II Corinthians 3:5).

10. Dr. G. M. Macklin died (see biography).

12. Seventh annual commencement of the Waterman school.

13. Second annual banquet of the Waterman Alumni association.

Born to Henry and Matilda (Legner) Wilson, a daughter, who died Saturday, June 14.—Leader.

19. George Crowell and Carrie Grass married at Aurora.

JULY

1. Rev. Samuel Rowland Robinson and Evangeline Traer Marshall married at Cresco, Iowa.

Piano and song recital by the Misses Mary E. and Isaline Clark Dickson.

8. Born to Rae L. and Bertha (McGeoch) Beveridge, of Goldfield, Iowa, a daughter, named Mary Evalyn.

10. Born to Paul E. N. and Maud (Webb) Greeley, a son, named Paul Webb.

W. J. Randles occupied his new house.

12. Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Challend, of Shabbona, a son.—Shabbona Express.

14. Barn on the H. L. Fuller farm, occupied by D. J. Minnich, struck by lightning and burned.

16. Mrs. Mary Cain died at her home near Sandwich; born in county Carew, Ireland, February 17, 1805.

17. Second annual meeting of the Ladies' Missionary and Aid society of the Presbyterian church held with Mrs. E. A. Pritchard.

23. Hiram Kirkpatrick celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday.—Leader.

26. Lafayette Carson lost by lightning seventeen head of cattle—two cows and fifteen steers; value $540; insurance $312.

31. Edith Colton Smith died (see biography).

David Hipple raised a new barn, 46 by 90 with 26 foot posts.

AUGUST

1. Mason D. Wesson died at Aurora (see biography).

3. Reunion of the Dean family held at Hinckley.—Leader.

Sixty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of William and Lucinda (Emery) Colton, of Waterman.

Train derailed at Northwestern crossing.

5. Eighth annual Temperance picnic held at Norton's Grove, near Shabbona.

9. Born to George and Linda (Merritt) Keene, a son, named Ivan Burnett.

12. Millicent Cutting Wentzel, of Sugar Grove, died.

14. New school house being erected at Greentown.—Leader.

26. Born to Charles and Gertrude (Ames) Tompkins, a son, named Roy Earl.

28. The Waterman Leader changed to an eight-page, six column all home print paper.

31. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Olson, a son.—Leader.

? Charles L. Durant died at Avon, Wisconsin.—Rockford Register-Gazette.

SEPTEMBER

1. Waterman school opened.

3. Royal L. Davis and Anna E. Deming married at Sandwich.

Twenty-sixth annual Old Settlers' Picnic held at Norton's Grove, near Shabbona; address by Charles Pierce Burton, of Aurora; old officers reëlected.

4. Robert Watson hauling lumber for a large new barn.—Leader.

Herbert Raymond Bucks and Bessie Sims married at Aurora.—Aurora News.

12. David and Wealthy (Davis) Hoagland celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding.

14. Annual Clinton Township Sunday School convention; Pres. Chas. A. Blanchard, of Wheaton college, spoke.

17. New barn 50 by 106 raised on the H. L. Fuller farm.

22. Emma C. Challand, oldest daughter of Joseph and Harriet Challand, died at Topeka, Kansas.

24. Born to George H. and Belle (Wheeler) Leifheit, of Aurora, a son, named Wilber.

26. Born to Robert J. and Jeanette (Kirkpatrick) McAllister, a son, named Easton Leslie.

27. F. P. Robinson opened his new store in the Masonic building.

29. Mrs. Maggie Watson, wife of R. F. Watson, died.—Leader.

? Railroad route (Chicago to Rock Island) surveyed about five miles north of Waterman.

OCTOBER

1. Wilber, infant son of George H. and Belle (Wheeler) Leifheit, of Aurora, died (see September 24).

W. E. Dean commenced work on an eight-room residence on north A street to cost about $4,000.

2. Born to James and Elizabeth (Corgan) Lynch, a daughter, named Helen.

Epworth League sociable at David Minnich's new barn.

Wilhelmina Specht Boekenhauer (Mrs. Charles) died.—Leader.

3. Special agent examined route, and recommended establishment of rural free delivery north of town.

7. Walter S. Parker, of Newark, and Charlotte E. Paxton, of Aurora, married.

7-14. Sixty-third annual session of the Rock River Conference held with the Austin church, Chicago; Rev. Fred L. Baldwin assigned to Waterman, Rev. Isaiah Villars, D. D., to Lockport.

14. Laura Lyman Rose died at Pasadena, California (see biography).

Mrs. Frank Challand (son of Joseph) died at Topeka, Kansas.

15. William C. Whitford commenced a house on A street.

Mary Walker died at Sandwich (see biography).

18. The Waterman Woman's Relief Club organized.

28. Special meetings commenced at the Baptist church in charge of Rev. J. C. Dent, of Aurora, and ending November 7.

30. A. J. Kirkpatrick building a new barn.—Leader.

31. Born to Herman and Emma (Leifheit) Von Ohlen, a daughter, named Edna M.

Whitcomb Martin, aged five, only son of Vere Martin, died at Davenport, Iowa.—Leader.

NOVEMBER

3. Mrs. Betsy Cole died (see biography).

4. General election. Vote of Clinton township, Republican 117, Democratic 23, Prohibition 12.

7. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bend, a daughter.—Leader.

CHARLES PIERCE BURTON (SEE PAGE 7)

8. Family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James McCleery; 34 persons representing four generations, among them Sarah Williamson Graham, mothor of Mrs. McCleery, born June 10, 1813.

Jesse Blaine Peck, born October 21, 1900, son of Beecher Peck, died at Aurora.

12. Willis A. Rowley commenced a house on C street.

20. Christian Endeavor basket sociable.

21. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tallman, a daughter. —Leader.

26. John J. O'Connor and Catharine McCormick married.—Shabbona Express.

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Hartsook surprised on the occasion of the sixth anniversary of their marriage and presented with a purse of money.

Frank A. Rollins and Harriet S. Potter married at DeKalb.

License granted for the marriage of Fred E. Downey and Lillian V. Kern, (27-25) of Chicago.—Record-Herald.

27. Elbert Dean hauling stone for a new house on B street.—Leader.

Union Thanksgiving service held at the Methodist Episcopal church; sermon by the Rev. J. L. Hartsook, of the Presbyterian church.

Forty-six members of the Greeley family celebrated Thanksgiving at the home of Frank S. Greeley.

29. Thomas McEachron died (see biography).

DECEMBER

2. William Beveridge, of Sandwich, died in Chicago (see biography).

4. Chicken supper at the Methodist church.

Earl Drake String Quartette (first number on lecture course).

5. Alfred Bradbury died (see biography).

Milon R. Harris concert at the Presbyterian church.

10-11. Ladies of the Presbyterian church held a bazaar at the Masonic hall.

14. Rev. C. H. Storms preached his last sermon as pastor of the Baptist church.

16. Erwin B. Carroll, of Oxford Junction, Iowa, and Laura E. Stern, of Waterman, married.

17. Charles B. Broughton, of DeKalb, and Della Leifheit, married at the Great Nortnern hotel, Chicago.—Leader.

18. Dr. Hindley lectures on "Will it take?" (Second number of the lecture course.)

Annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church.

Annual meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church.

20. Born to William and Mary (Porter) Brownlie, of Paw Paw, a daughter, named Annie Richmond.

21. Born to Ernest and Louise (Rathe) Leifheit, a son, named Clarence.

25. License issued in Chicago for the marriage of Harold C. Hall, of DeKalb, and Stella M. Lovell (42-28).

Dr. Walter Livermore and Nettie Pogue married at Oswego.

26. Christian Endeavor business meeting.

28. Rev. J. L. Hartsook, of the Presbyterian church, preached his farewell sermon.

31. T. O. Talla and Pansy Pearl Allen, daughter of Fred Allen, married at Winfield, Kansas.

DATES UNKNOWN

The dates of the following events could not be learned.

—— Colgrove and Mabel (Scofield) Colgrove married.

Born to Luther W. and Mabel S. (Fraser) Taylor, of Pioneer, Iowa, a daughter.

Born to —— and Mabel (Scofield) Colgrove, a daughter.

ERRATA ET ADDENDA 1901

February 21. Eddie Gustavus Stram and Jessie Bull married at Union, Oregon.

June 15. Born to H. Eugene and Nora (Greene) Smith, of Cairo, Illinois, a daughter, named Gertrude Mary.

December 14. Born to Fred and Ella (Sawyer) Allen, a daughter, named Marjorie Rose.

BIOGRAPHY

W. G. BEVERIDGE

William G. Beveridge, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Irwin) Beveridge, the oldest of three children, was born at the home of his grandparents, George and Ann (Hoy) Beveridge, on the banks of Somonauk creek, just across from the U. P. church, July 30, 1853. Andrew Beveridge, his great grandfather, was born in Scotland and came to America previous to the Revolution. Thomas Beveridge died when William was five years of age, and the following year he removed with his mother and sister to the farm on which he lived until he removed to Sandwich nine years ago. He married Ella M. Findley December 15, 1880. To them were born five children, one son dying in infancy. The others are Margaret. Thomas, Eleanor and Elizabeth. He died at the hospital in Chicago December 2, 1902.

ALFRED BRADBURY

Alfred Bradbury was born in London, England, September 27, 1822. On St. Swithin's day, July 15, 1847, he married Miss Elizabeth Such. They embarked for America in 1855 and settled at Freeland Corners, where they remained seventeen years. In 1872 he removed with his family to the village of Waterman, just started, where he engaged in mercantile business and for thirteen years was postmaster. In 1886 Mr. Bradbury associated with him his son Harry, and in 1892 sold his own interest to F. E. Royston, retiring from active life. Seven children were born to him, of whom three are deceased. Mr. Bradbury died at his home in Waterman December 5, 1902. His children are Charles, living at Wolcottville, Indiana; Fannie, wife of A. A. Stryker, of Waterman; Harry, living at Polo, Illinois; Georgia, married Glenn Bradbury, of Waterman.

MRS. B. A. COLE

Betsy Arozina Riddle was born in Grafton, New Hampshire, February 1, 1830. In 1848 she married James S. Webster and with him in 1852 moved to Illinois, to the farm on which she since resided. From this union there were four children, two, a son and daughter, died in infancy, and two survive her. One, Prof. F. M. Webster, now of Urbana, Illinois, has for the last eighteen years been connected with the United States Department of Agriculture, and the other, owing to sunstroke in childhood, has always been feeble minded, and the mother has faithfully devoted the best of her life to his care and comfort. In 1864 her husband was killed at Somonauk in a railway accident, and she remained a widow until 1869, when she was married to John R. Cole, who died in 1887. Both of her husbands had served their country in the United States navy. Mrs. Cole died at her home near Waterman, November 3, 1902.

MRS. ELI DARNELL

Catherine Woods was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1831, a daughter of David H. and Catherine (Campbell) Woods. With her parents she removed to Kendall county, Illinois, in 1846. She married Eli Darnell, November 17, 1863, and together they commenced housekeeping on a farm near Plano, on which they resided until the death of Mr. Darnell in January, 1896. Mrs. Darnell then removed to Plano, where she made her home until her death, January 10, 1902. She had been a faithful consistent Christian all her life, and had been a member of the Baptist church for over fifty years. She leaves a brother, Isaac Woods, of Waterman, and two sisters, Mrs. Martha Lamb, of Waterman, and Mrs. Cynthia Darnell, of Kingston, to mourn her loss.

HENRY B. DARNELL

Henry B. Darnell was born in Squaw Grove township, DeKalb county, Illinois, June 20, 1866. He was the

fourth son of Benjamin and Catherine Darnell; he and his brother Charles are twins. In the spring of 1883 he united with the Baptist church at Hinckley, and upon moving to Plano he became a member of the Plano Baptist church by letter.

In 1893 he married Alice Akers, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Akers, at Marshalltown, Iowa. For the last fifteen years he has from time to time been a great sufferer from rheumatism, which in 1896 became so bad that he was forced to leave his employment at Marshalltown, Iowa, and return to Illinois, in order that his friends and relatives might add to his comfort. Since his return to Illinois he recovered for a time and taught school four terms. In the fall of 1898 he again began to teach in the Patten district, north of Sandwich, but on account of his extremely critical condition, was forced to resign. Since that time he has been confined to his house, during all of which time he has been a great sufferer.

Early in life he entertained a favorable opinion of the Odd Fellows, and upon reaching the age of 21, that being his earliest opportunity, he was initiated in and took the degrees of that order. He was at one time a member of the encampment at, and had taken the Rebekah degrees in, the Sandwich lodges. He was also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

He died at 5:50 o'clock p. m., Monday, March 31, 1902. His last moments were peaceful, and although he had suffered constantly for years, he died without pain and without a struggle.

His children are Charles Henry, born at Marshalltown, Iowa, July 17, 1894; Eleanor Hazel, born at Marshalltown, Iowa, April 18, 1896.

MRS. EMMETT G. DEMING

Alice Angeline Greene was a daughter of James and Angeline (Davidson) Greene, pioneer settlers in this county. She was born in Victor township July 8, 1852.

Of the family there are yet living John A. Greene, of Waterman, Illinois; Harvey L. Greene,of Scranton, Iowa; and Mrs. S. Eliza Stearns, of Humboldt, Nebraska. On February 10, 1876, Miss Greene married Emmet G. Deming, a son of Asa and Marion N. (Scott) Deming, born November 25, 1851, in Day, Saratoga county, New York. Their residence was in Paw Paw township. Under the pastorate of Rev. C. R. Robinson, Mrs. Deming united with the Waterman Methodist Episcopal church. She died at her home February 12, 1902. Her child is Anna E. Deming, born in Paw Paw township, August 18, 1878; married Royal L. Davis, September 3, 1902.

THOMAS GRAHAM

Thomas Graham was born March 2, 1828, in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, a son of William G. and Nancy (French) Graham. He married at Iberia, Ohio, May 10, 1854, Margaret Jane Taylor, who died January 20, 1895. Along in the middle fifties he settled in Victor township, and later resided at Iberia, Ohio, and Indianola, Iowa, at which latter place he was a merchant for twenty-five years, and also served as justice of the peace eight years. He was a ruling elder in the Somonauk U. P. congregation and also at both Iberia, Ohio, and Indianola, Iowa, and was for years a teacher in the Sunday school. He died at his home in Conway Springs, Kansas, March 12, 1902, of heart failure due to old age. His children are William Marshall, born at Reynoldsburg, Ohio, November 26, 1855, died in October, 1881, at Peotone, Kansas; Martha Eliza, born in Victor township March 26, 1857; David Wilson, born in Victor township August 25, 1860, married Fannie E. McCleery, December 30, 1890; Andrew Harper, born in Iberia, Ohio, January 2, 1863, married Nettie Graham in April 1890, died at Viola, Kansas, February 9, 1900; May, born in Indianola, Iowa, November 25, 1872.

MERTIE E. KIRKPATRICK

Mertie Elliott Kirkpatrick was born in Clinton township, July 1, 1877, and was the oldest child of John S. aud Maggie J. (McCord) Kirkpatrick. She attended the district schools and later the graded schools of Waterman. Following this she taught school for several years. She was a member of the Presbyterian church and for years a teacher in the Sunday School. Not only was she active in local religious work, but she had held offices in the county Sunday School association and in the district C. E. society. Her christian life was pure and sweet. Her mother died April 9, 1893, and since that time she had to a great extent been a mother to the younger children. After an illness of three years with consumption she died at Waterman March 10, 1902.

DR. G. M. MACKLIN

George McIntyre Macklin was born in Argyle, Washington county, New York, January 13, 1843, a son of Robert and Mary (Jack) Macklin. With his parents he came west in 1856, the family making a temporary settlement at Aurora and removing in 1858 or 1859 to Shabbona township, DeKalb county. Here supplementing the instruction of the district school by private study, he fitted himself to enter Paw Paw academy. While at this institution he began the study of medicine under Dr. Fish. In his professional life his education began at Albany, New York. It is worthy of note that he was born in the same month as the late President McKinley and studied at the same school at Albany, though not at the same time. He took a special course in the College of Physicians and Surgeons at New York City. Afterward he graduated February 1, 1871, at Rush Medical college, Chicago. Soon after this he entered upon the practice of his profession at Waterman, Illinois, and this practice extended over a period of twenty-nine years. Dr. Macklin was married first at Albany, New York, March 10, 1869, to Eliza Hamilton,

DR. G. M. MACKLIN

On December 29, 1881, he married, at Waterman, Illinois, Emma S. Kirkpatrick, daughter of Smiley and Anna (Hipple) Kirkpatrick. Mrs. Macklin not only proved a loving wife and mother, but acquired a considerable knowledge of medicine and valuable skill as a nurse. She often helped her husband in surgical operations, and more than once nursed him through trying periods of illness.

Dr. Macklin came to Waterman when the village was in its very infancy and through his long and continuous practice became one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of the county. He died at Waterman June 10, 1902, at eight o'clock in the morning, of Bright's disease.

Dr. Macklin was a man of upright character and a sincere Christian. Born of Scotch-Irish parents of the old Covenanter stock, he was a man of deep convictions and unhesitating in his expression of them. By him language was never used to conceal thought, neither had he that suavity of manners which often wins friends when true merit is lacking. On this account he was likely to be misunderstood. Throughout his life he continued a careful student and kept fully abreast of progress in his profession. He was frequently called in consultation. Though a member of no medical society, he was deeply interested in the recently organized county society, and had he been in better health would have joined. His work was characterized by thoroughness, conscientiousness and unostentation. He was not a man who heralded abroad his achievements, and boasted of but one thing—that in a practice of twenty-nine years he had never lost a mother. He had a wide circle of friends among those who appreciated true merit.

Dr. Macklin read widely outside of his profession. His last reading was from F. B. Meyer's "Shepherd Psalm."

Dr. Macklin was the father of four children. The eldest and only child by the first wife is Charles George Macklin, born at Sandwich, Illinois, January 31, 1870, and

now an attorney at Morrison, Illinois. He married at Morrison, Illinois, October 7, 1896, Miss Bertha Hall. The other children are Mary Edith, born at Waterman November 8, 1882, and now teaching in the graded schools of Waterman; Robert Kirkpatrick, born August 14, 1885, and now a student at Wheaton college; and Ella Hard, born March 1, 1887.

MRS. J. W. McALLISTER

Mary Ann Graham was a daughter of Robert and Sarah (Williamson) Graham and was born in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, December 5, 1841. At eight years of age she removed with her parents to DeKalb county, where she spent the remainder of her life. She was married at Somonauk, Illinois, December 15, 1864, to James W. McAllister, son of J. S. and Jennie (Wear) McAllister, born July 1, 1834, at Greenwich, New York. At an early age Mrs. McAllister made a public profession of her faith in Jesus Christ, uniting with the Reformed Presbyterian church located in this vicinity at that time. Later, on September 5, 1863, by certificate, she united with the Somonauk United Presbyterian church, in which she remained on exemplary member through life. She died of consumption January 29, 1902, at her home near Waterman. Her children, which were all born near Waterman, are Ward, born December 5, 1866, married Mary G. Reid February 10, 1897; Helen, born November 9, 1868, married Albert C. Winter, October 3, 1894; Robert J., born November 4, 1871, married Jeanette B. Kirkpatrick October 12, 1898; Margaret, born December 25, 1873, married Elzie Mitchell, January 3, 1901; Russell, born June 11, 1876, died January 29, 1896; Mary Belle, born December 15, 1878; Sarah J., born December 24, 1881, died June 2, 1902; William John, born May 18, 1886.

THOMAS McEACHRON

Thomas McEachron, the last member of a family of twelve to depart this life, was born at Argyle, Washington

county, New York, October 19, 1819. He moved to Illinois in March, 1867, and one year later, in November, 1868, settled on the farm which was since his home. He united with the Associate church of Argyle in early life and on removing to Illinois identified himself the Somonauk United Presbyterian church, of which he remained a faithful member until his death. He married, March 12, 1846, Margaret G. Lendrum, now deceased. They celebrated their golden wedding in 1896. He died at the old home November 29, 1902. His children are George L., residing on the old homestead; May, deceased; Annie, married James Graham; Emma, deceased.

MRS. WILLIAM POTTER

Harriet Baxter, was born in Michigan, February 23, 1835, and was a daughter of Hiram and Sally (Sheldon) Baxter. With her parents she came to Illinois in 1838, settling on a farm two and a half miles west of Aurora. She was married at Geneva, Illinois, August 15, 1853 to William Potter, a son of James and Margaret (Thorne) Potter, born in Dutchess county, New York, April 3, 1837. They removed to Afton township, DeKalb county, Illinois, in 1857. Mr. Potter died April 6, 1895. For years Mrs. Potter has been an invalid and suffered much. In the autumn of 1901 she went to Colorado,hoping to regain her health, but the altitude proved too great for her and she was taken to Winfield, Kansas, where she died April 7, 1902, of consumption. Mrs. Potter was converted and joined the Baptist church at Aurora in 1853. Upon removing to Waterman she joined the Methodist Episcopal church. The first child was born in Aurora, Kane county, the others in Afton, DeKalb county, Illinois; Riley, born April 18, 1856, died January 25, 1861; Wilder Gates, born June 4, 1861, married May Allen October 23, 1883, resides at Waterman; Edward Eugene, born August 15, 1863, married Mary Sawyer March 10, 1886, resides at Lillivale, Kay county, Oklahoma; James Albert, born

November 16, 1864, married Etta Schermerhorn, resides at Lillivale, Oklahoma; Emma Elnora, born December 1869, married Orval Stryker December 13, 1888, resides at Waterman; Frank, deceased.

MRS. R. M. PRITCHARD

Celestia Elmer was a daughter of Nathan and Tamar (Hinds) Elmer, and was born in Orleans, Jefferson county, New York, November 17, 1831. She was the fifth in a family of ten children, three of whom died in childhood. Two survive, Mrs. Phebe Whitford, of Waterman, and her brother Nathan. The mother died in New York state and later the father married Lucinda (Doane) Hall, widow of Sawyer Hall. Mrs. Hall herself had a small family. In 1853 Mr. Elmer and his family removed to this county, settling in Clinton township. On the records of the Johnson's Grove Baptist church, under date of July 24, 1853, is this record. "The church voted unanimously to receive into the church by letter Nathan Elmer, Lucinda Elmer, Celestia Elmer, Phebe Elmer and Lovina Elmer as members of the church of Christ in this place." Mr. Elmer became one of the deacons and staunch supporters of the church. He died June 17, 1864. He was a veteran of the war of 1812, and his widow drew a pension for many years, dying at Waterman July 3, 1897. On January 1, 1855, Celestia Elmer married Reuben Mason Pritchard, son of Reuben and Maria (Mason) Pritchard. Mr. Pritchard came of a prominent family. His father was the first supervisor of the town and later Mr. Pritchard himself held that office as well as many other posts of honor and trust in town and county and at one time represented the district in the state legislature. Mr. Pritchard was a public spirited man and intensely interested in the preservation of the county's history. His historical letters to the Waterman Leader are store houses of information, and to him more than any one else is due the organization of the Old Settlers' association. He served as its first president until 1883. About

this time he sold his farm at Waterman and removed to Pender, Nebraska, where he died August 31, 1891. Here the widow resided with her children until last winter, when she came to Chicago to be treated for cancer. She died at the Hahneman hospital, Chicago, April 18, 1902, of congestion of the lungs. The remains were brought to Waterman and buried beside her husband in Johnson's Grove cemetery. When the Johnson's Grove Baptist church became defunct, Mrs. Pritchard joined the Waterman church, and from there transferred her membership to Pender, Nebraska. Her children, all born in Clinton township, are Ida Maria, born March 17, 1856, married James L. Millar, January 29, 1879, and died at Austin, Illinois, June 15, 1897; Reuben Albert, born December 14, 1857, resides at Pender, Nebraska; Manfred Elmer, born January 16, 1860, died in February 1865; Charles Nathan, born July 24, 1864, married Fannie M. Blanchard August 8, 1889, resides at DeKalb, Illinois; Stella Celestia, born July 21, 1870, died at Sycamore, Illinois, January 12, 1883; Ellen Minerva, born January 23, 1874, married Charles W. Baker April 30, 1896, resides at Pender, Nebraska.

G. W. ROLLINS

G. W. Rollins was born in Franklin county, Maine, August 16, 1831. He was a son of Stanley and Martha (Stubbs) Rollins. In the spring of 1855 he came to Illinois, settling near Leland, LaSalle county. Here he resided three years, when he purchased and settled on a farm three miles north of Waterman, which remained his home until November 1892. At this time he retired from farming and settled in DeKalb, Illinois. He was married at Ottawa, Illinois, March 25, 1861, to Helen A. Gardner, a daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth (Tanner) Gardner, born in Kane county, Illinois, January 6, 1841. Mr. Rollins died at the Battle Creek sanitarium, Chicago, February 2, 1902. His children are Ella M. Rollins, born at Leland,

Illinois, January 7, 1863, married Charles W. Mosher, September 4, 1881; Fred H. Rollins, born at Leland, Illinois, May 29, 1864, married Nellie Kingsley; Frank A. Rollins, born in Afton township, Sept 15, 1867, married Harriet S. Potter, November 26, 1902; May E. Rollins, born in Afton township May 13, 1873, married Lee R. Cass, June 15, 1897.

MRS. H. M. ROSE

Laura Lyman was born in Vermont in the year 1837. In 1862 she was united in marriage to Martin Rose, in Kaneville, Illinois. She came to Illinois about the year 1859. In 1863 she removed to California, but after a residence of three years there returned to Illinois in 1866. Here she lived until 1892 when Mr. and Mrs. Rose removed to Pasadena, California, where she died October 14, 1902, after an illness of but two days. Mr. Rose died in December 1901. Both are buried in the North Clinton cemetery.

MRS. C. E. SMITH

Edith Lucinda Colton was born November 28, 1878. She was the third child and daughter of William Luther and Nancy Asenath (Smith) Colton, and granddaughter of William and Lucinda (Emery) Colton, of Waterman. On December 25, 1900, she married Clarence Edward Smith, of Sandwich. Both before and after her marriage she assisted her husband in the management of his photograph gallery in Sandwich. She was a member of the Presbyterian church of that place. She died at the Polyclinic hospital, in Chicago, Thursday morning, July 31, 1902, the result of an operation.

JOHN STERN

John Stern was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, May 15, 1819, a son of Jacob Stern. His mother's

name was Lane. He married Miss Mary Gantz and came to Illinois in the spring of 1865, settling in Victor township, where he has since resided. Here he raised a large family. He died January 9, 1902.

MRS. C. M. STRAM

Emily Charlotta Johnson was born in Calmar, Sweden, October 26, 1840, and was a daughter of Jonas Anderson. She married in her native town December 27, 1859, Charles Magnuson, born in Calmar, Sweden, April 11, 1836, son of Magnus Magnuson. In Sweden the surname of the child is formed from the given name of the father by adding son. Two children were born to them in Sweden. In 1864, with his wife and children and his brother Gustave, Mr. Magnuson the younger started for America, leaving Oscarhamm in June, and after their arrival in New York, came directly to Shabbona. In America people found difficulty in pronouncing the name Magnuson, and it was chonged to Stram. Mr. Magnuson was henceforth known as Charles Magnus Stram. Mr. and Mrs. Stram lived in DeKalb three years and on October 7, 1869, removed to Clinton township. Here they lived until December, 1895, when they retired from farming and moved to Shabbona. Here Mrs. Stram died March 21, 1902. In Sweden Mrs. Stram was a member of the Lutheran church and on coming to this country joined the Lutheran church at DeKalb. On June 26, 1881, she was recieved into the Presbyterian church of Waterman, and on moving to Shabbona in 1895, transferred her membership to the Congregational church.

Her children are Sophia Matilda, born in Calmar, Sweden, October 15, 1860, married Wm. Zopher Smith June 17, 188-, resides at Lee, Illinois; Augusta, born in Calmar, Sweden, March 19, 1863, died at DeKalb, March

20, 1869; Charles John, born in Shabbona August 20, 1865, married Josephine Harrison, October 21, 1891, resides at Summerville, Oregon; Amanda Juliet, born in Clinton township July 23, 1868, married Gustav Freitag, March 3, 1891, resides at Imbler, Oregon; Oscar Amel, born in Clinton township, January 31, 1871; Ella Augusta, born in Clinton township June 16, 1873, married Matt Pearson June 10, 1891; married (2) Ralph Frill December 22, 1893, resides at LaGrande, Oregon; Edward Gustavus, born in Clinton township, July 14, 1875, married Jessie Bull February 21, 1901, resides at LaGrande Oregon; Maude Alley, born in Clinton township April 1, 1878, married Rev. Milo Gardner Bentley, January 1, 1900, resides at Mt. Union, Iowa; Nina Emily Mae, born in Clinton township May 15, 1881; Jessie Elizabeth, born in Clinton township September 24, 1884.

MARY WALKER

Mary Walker was born in Clinton township, February 26, 1855, and was the tenth child of John and Nancy (Walls) Walker, who came to DeKalb county in October, 1842, and settled in Clinton township one year later. Here she lived until the spring of 1891, when she, with her father, moved to the vicinity of the U. P. church. About two years ago they removed to Sandwich, where she died October 15, 1902.

M. D. WESSON

Mason Dexter Wesson was born in Victor township June 15, 1870. He was a son of Silas Dexter and Magdalen (Suydam) Wesson. He remained on the farm until the fall of 1890, when he went on the railroad as brakeman. This occupation he followed until on October 4, 1900, he met with an accident at Sandwich, in which he lost his right leg above the knee. Later he went into the ticket brokerage business and in April, 1902, sold out and went into the electroplating business, which he followed until his

death, August 1, 1902. He died in the City hospital in Aurora, of typhoid fever. He was a member of and had held several offices in Masonic Lodge 254 A. F. & A. M., Aurora, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen No. 6, Aurora, Maine Council Knights and Ladies of Security, Aurora, and the Yeomen of America. Mr. Wesson married January 16, 1890, at Somonauk, Illinois, Miss Letitia Glenn, who was born at Leland, Illinois, January 5, 1871. His children are Marie Grace, born at Paw Paw, Illinois, June 1, 1891; Eugene Glenn, born at Shabbona, Illinois, October 14, 1892; Magdalen Ella, born at Aurora, Illinois, April 9, 1893; Lucinda Anna, born at Aurora, Illinois, September 24, 1894; Henrietta Agnes, born at Aurora, Illinois, June 27, 1900.

MRS. WILLIAM YEARNSHAW

Delphina Frances Fraser was born in Clinton township July 4, 1850, on the place now owned by Nathan Mighell. She was a daughter of Henry and Fanny (Morrill) Fraser. She was married at the residence of William Moore, in the town of Clinton, to William Yearnshaw, then station agent at the new village of Waterman. Before her marriage she was converted and joined the Clinton Center Baptist church. She died at Walnut Grove, California, February 19, 1902. Her children are Robert H., resides at Walnut Grove; Mabel, resides at Lincoln, California; Fred, resides at Walnut Grove.

DIRECTORY

BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor, Raymond Griffith Pierson.
Clerk, Carrie P. Congdon.
Treasurer, Irene Whitford.
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent, Mrs. Adelaide Greenwood.
Secretary and Treasurer, Carrie P. Congdon.
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Organist, Mildred Myers.

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Treasurer, John S. Congdon.
Organist, Irene Whitford.

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Class leaders, Amos L. McCaskey, Roy Wakefield.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent, David Hipple.
Assistant superintendent, Frank Thorpe.
Secretary and treasurer, Lee Darling.
Librarian, Robert Fuller.
Organist, Miss Mabel Hipple.
Chorister, Elmer Hipple.

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Secretary, Mrs. R. R. Brown.
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(Elected March 23, 1902.)

President, Mrs. S. M. Henderson.
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Secretary, Mrs. J. J. A. Zeller.
Treasurer, Miss Carrie Fuller.

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President, Frank Thorpe.
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3rd Vice President, Roy Wakefield.
4th Vice President, Miss Anna Watson.
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Organist, Mabel Hipple.

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Pastor, (pastorless).
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Treasurer, W. S. Andrews.

Trustees, William Richmond, A. C. Kauffman, William Nelson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Assistant Superintendent, John Weber.
Secretary and treasurer, Mollie Gunderson.

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President, Anna Beiler.
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Secretary, Cora Harnish.
Treasurer, Augusta Johnson.
Librarian, Mabel Kirkpatrick.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. S. Kirkpatrick.

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Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Kirkpatrick.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY

President, Mrs. L. Baldry.
Secretary, Mrs. M. Whitford.
Treasurer, Mrs. Will Nelson.

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Superintendent, Howard McCleery.
Assistant Superintendent, Mae Beveridge.
Secretary and Treasurer, Nettie Cole.

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President, John Thompson.
Vice President, Isabelle Robinson.
Secretary, Sam McConaghie.
Treasurer, Bryce Ferguson.

CLINTON TOWNSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

President, Carrie Fuller.
Secretary and Treasurer, Carrie P. Congdon.
Superintendent of Home Class Department, Annie Beiler.

Superintendent of Primary Work, Mrs. Ida Kirkpatrick.

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(Reorganized April 15, 1901.)

OFFICERS

President, Mrs. Susie Fuller.
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2nd Vice President, Mrs. Smith Fuller.
3rd Vice President, Mrs. H. M. Swift.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Emma Giles.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Emma Macklin.
Treasurer, Mrs. Alonzo Satterlee.
Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. Ellen Seeley.
Superintendent of Flower Mission, Mrs. George Greeley.

WATERMAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

(Organized May 16, 1901.)

OFFICERS

President, Mary Macklin
Vice President, Bertha Tallman.

Secretary, Harry Stryker.
Treasurer, Carrie Colton.

CLASS OF 1902

Robert Kirkpatrick Macklin, Elizabeth Robinson, Grace L. Colton, Arch Owen.

WATERMAN WOMAN'S CLUB

(Organized October 18, 1902.)

President, Miss Carrie Fuller.
Vice President, Miss Harriet Brainard.
Secretary, Mrs. Emma K. Macklin.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. A. Zeller.

T. S. TERRY POST NO. 463 G. A. R.

Shabbona, Illinois.

(Organized June 14, 1884.)

OFFICERS

(Installed January 3, 1903.)

Commander, H. A. York.
Senior Vice Commander, J. A. McCormick.
Junior Vice Commander, John Mullins.
Surgeon, S. D. Wesson.
Chaplain, D. H. Hoagland.
Quartermaster, H. W. Young.
Adjutant, T. B. Lucas.
O. D., A. L. Wells.
O. G., A. C. Kauffman.
Delegate to State Encampment, Thomas McCormick.
Alternate, A. Darling.

WATERMAN CAMP NO. 1572 M. W. A.

(Organized January 7, 1892, with ten members.)

OFFICERS

(Installed January 5, 1903.)

Venerable Consul, John W. Porter.
Worthy Advisor, Frank D. Olmstead.
Banker, W. W. Scott.
Clerk, Glenn Bradbury.
Physician, P. E. N. Greeley.
Escort, Fred Beiler.
Watchman, Herman Beiler.
Sentry, Robert Tenney.

EASTERN STAR

Worthy Matron, Mrs. Georgia Bradbury.
Worthy Patron, H. A. Schermerhorn.
Associate Matron, Mrs. May Whitford.
Conductress, Mrs. Ardie Dean.
Associate Conductress, Mrs. Maude Louthan.
Treasurer, Will Whitford.
Secretary, A. J. Heeg.
Warder, E. W. Price.
Sentinel, Glenn Bradbury.
Organist, Miss Jessie Leifheit.
Adah, Mrs. Lulu Price.
Ruth, Miss Pearl Rowley.
Esther, Miss Irene Whitford.
Martha, Miss Eda Heeg.
Electa, Ida Rowley.

TOWN OF CLINTON

Supervisor, W. J. Randles.
Town Clerk, R. G. Ferguson.
Assessor, Fred A. Brown.
Collector, A. J. C. Fearon.
Commissioners of Highways, A. C. Baie, William Reid, Theodore Johnson.
Justices of the Peace, G. G. Congdon, Isaac Potter.

Constables, N. F. Davenport, T. H. Hinds.
Trustees of Schools, T. H. Robinson, H. A. Lamb.

VILLAGE OF WATERMAN

Trustees, J. S. Kirkpatrick, president; William Richmond, F. A. Brown, H. J. F. Kirchhefer, A. U. Fuller, H. Roberts, Roy Wakefield.
Clerk, A. J. C. Fearon.
Police Magistrate, W. M. McFarlane.
Committees: Finance, Fuller, Wakefield, Richmond; Streets and Alleys, Roberts, Fuller, Kirchhefer; Building, Roberts, Brown, Wakefield.
Village Treasurer, R. R. Brown.
Member of Board of Health, Dr. P. E. N. Greeley.

DEKALB COUNTY OLD SETTLERS' ASSOCIATION

(Twenty-seventh annual picnic will be held Wednesday, September 2, 1903. Present constitution adopted September 4, 1901.)

OFFICERS

President, Isaac Potter, Waterman.
Secretary and Treasurer, S. M. Henderson, Waterman.
Historian, G. E. Congdon, Waterman.

WATERMAN SCHOOL

Principal, George Wallace.
Intermediate, Harriet Brainerd.
Primary, Mary Macklin.
Directors, W. M. McFarlane (1900), R. R. Brown (1901), and William Richmond (1902).

MISCELLANEOUS

OLD PEOPLE OF WATERMAN AND VICINITY

*William Colton, October 14, 1811.
Sarah Williamson Graham, June 10, 1813 (Victor township).
Ephraim Jackson Wood, April 1, 1815.
Patrick Griffin, March 17, 1816.
John Walker, April 5, 1818 (Sandwich).
*Lucinda Emery Colton, August 16, 1818.
Harriet Shonts Swift, November 16, 1819.
William H. Keene, March 4, 1820 (Victor township).
James Baremore, March 17, 1820.
Samuel Morton Swift, March 27, 1820.
George W. Place, April 23, 1820.
Emeline Atkins Giles, September 29, 1821.
Ezra Morgan Ames, June 5, 1822.
Henry Challand, February 3, 1823.
D. B. Stryker, April 30, 1823.
Elizabeth Such Bradbury, October 16, 1823.
Fannie Richardson Hinds, March 14, 1824.
Smiley Kirkpatrick, March 31, 1825 (Mendota).
John D. McDiarmid, October 23, 1825 (Big Rock).
Martha Davis, December 25, 1825.
Nancy Warner Brown, March 10, 1826 (Aurora).
Timothy Holden Hinds, June 18, 1826.
David Hoagland, December 15, 1826.
Wealthy Davis Hoagland, February 24, 1827.
Enoch P. Rowley, April 18, 1827.
Smith Mercer, May 12, 1827 (Sandwich).
Hiram Kirkpatrick, July 23, 1827.
Morris P. Brown, July 25, 1827 (Aurora).

*Mr. and Mrs. Colton were married in Dryden, Tompkins county, New York, August 3, 1837, and are therefore in their sixty-sixth year of wedded life.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS FOR YEAR

The deaths in DeKalb county as reported for the year ending December 31, last, numbered 324. As reported from the various towns the numbers are as follows:

Kingston	10	Hinckley	18
Waterman	9	DeKalb	101
Sycamore	51	Genoa	18
Sandwich	44	Victor	4
Shabbona	14	Afton	7
Malta	10	Cortland	12
South Grove	1	Somonauk	12
Kirkland	8	Mayfield	3
Clinton	2		

The births for a corresponding length of time numbered 581. The greatest number reported by any one person was fifty, by Dr. A. D. Blagden, of Sycamore.

If these figures are correct, the gain in population by births alone was 257.

The death rate was about ten to every thousand, the population of the county having been 31,756 in 1900.—Sycamore City Weekly.

MRS. E. W. HICKS

Ella M. Young was a daughter of Henry and Maria Young and was born at Plainfield, Illinois, November 2, 1849. She attended Northwestern college, now of Naperville, Illinois, but then of Plainfield, graduating in 1868, and afterward took a post graduate course in music. She was a district school teacher and teacher of music six years. On October 28, 1875, she married Edmund Warne Hicks, who was born in Cornwall, England, December 17, 1841, came to Rockford, Illinois, with his parents in 1845, and was ordained a Baptist minister at Naperville, Illinois, in December, 1870. They settled first in Newark, Illinois, coming to Waterman in December, 1879. He worked here in connection with the Shabbona church, preaching at Waterman on alternate Sundays. After one year he served the

Shabbona church alone, and later became pastor of the church at Sandwich. In June, 1885, Mr. Hicks went to Toulon, Illinois, of which church he still continues pastor. Here Mrs. Hicks died February 11, 1902 and is buried. She held many local and associational offices up to the time of her death; was life member of both the Woman's Baptist Missionary societies, and president of the W. C. T. U. She had been in failing health for three years, and a great sufferer during the last five months of her life. (Omitted from proper place by mistake.)

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TO THE READER

As many of you know, I am very much interested in the history of DeKalb county, and particularly of my native township. It is my fond hope sometime to publish a history of the town. To this end I have made a page for page and line for line transcript of the first fifty pages of the town records, a complete transcript in like manner, carefully indexed, of the Johnson's Grove Baptist church records, and have begun a transcript of the inscriptions in Johnson's Grove cemetery, now nearly half complete. In addition to this I have collected from the old settlers and old newspapers interesting bits of early history, and from genealogies and other sources I have collected much information concerning the origin and history of our older families. If you have any old Bible records or other material of this sort I shall be glad of the privilege of copying them; if you know of interesting items of early history write them down and send them to me; if you have old photographs, letters, deeds and other relics, especially of the early days in the county, let me know of it; if you have a history of your family, printed or written, may I not see it; if you know of some one writing such a history, give me his address; above all do not destroy any old papers or books without letting me see them.

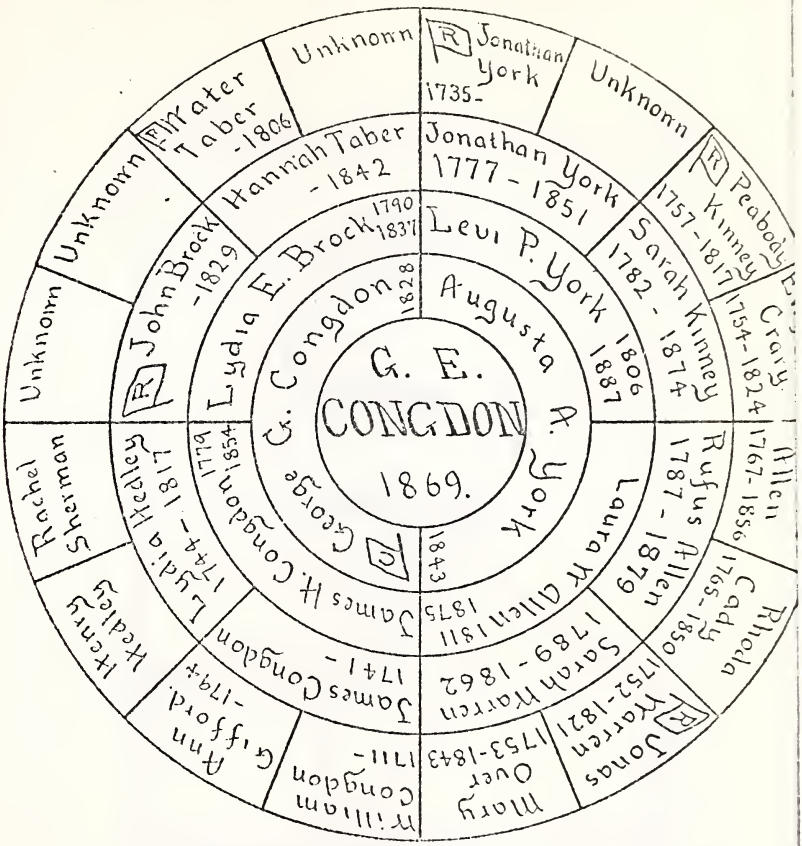
Another thing, if you want to know more of your ancestry, remember that I have had a large amount of experience in investigations of this sort, both for myself and others, and shall be glad to serve you; or, if you want known information charted I can do it for you.

From time to time I send out requests for information. Please reply as promptly as possible, giving information

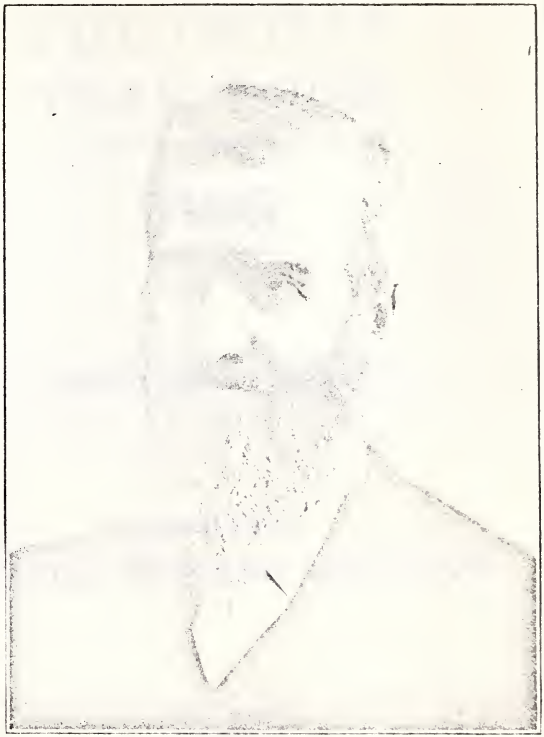
which is as full and accurate as lies in your power. If you have some of my letters unanswered look them up.

G. E. CONGDON.

Mr. Congdon is probably better posted than any other person on the history of DeKalb county and the genealogy of the people of the county.—True Republican, January 10, 1900.



Some ten years ago Mr. Congdon began a systematic search for information concerning his ancestors. He now knows the names of 450 ancestors in the first fifteen generations back and traces back in one line thirty-nine generations. The above chart represents the last five generations of his ancestry.



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TO THE PIONEERS OF THE WEST.

Would God that we, their children, were as they!
Great-souled, brave-hearted and of dauntless will;
Ready to dare, responsive to the still,
Compelling voice that called them night and day
From that far West where sleeping Greatness lay
Biding her time. Would God we knew the thrill
That exquisitely tormented them, until
They stood up strong and resolute to obey.

God, make us like them, worthy of them; shake
Our souls with great desires; our dull eyes set
On some high star whose splendid light will wake
Us from our dreams, and guide us from this fen
Of selfish ease won by our fathers' sweat.
Oh lift us up—the West has need of Men!

—Mrs. Ella Higginson.

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PREFACE.

In the preparation of this, the second Year Book, as in the preparation of the first, I have exercised great care to have everything exact and complete. A large number of letters was sent out, not only to residents of the town, but to former residents and their descendants. Two things I would like to make emphatic. One is that I mean every word contained in the letter. I want your news no matter how long you have been absent from Clinton township, and even if you never lived there, providing your parents or grandparents lived there. The other is that news should be sent in punctually, better when it happens, but if delayed, sent not later than the tenth of January. The few mistakes that occur in the present book are almost wholly due to the fact that matter was received after the book had gone to press. Several new features have been added to this volume and we send it forth as a worthy successor to the first Year Book.

G. E. CONGDON.

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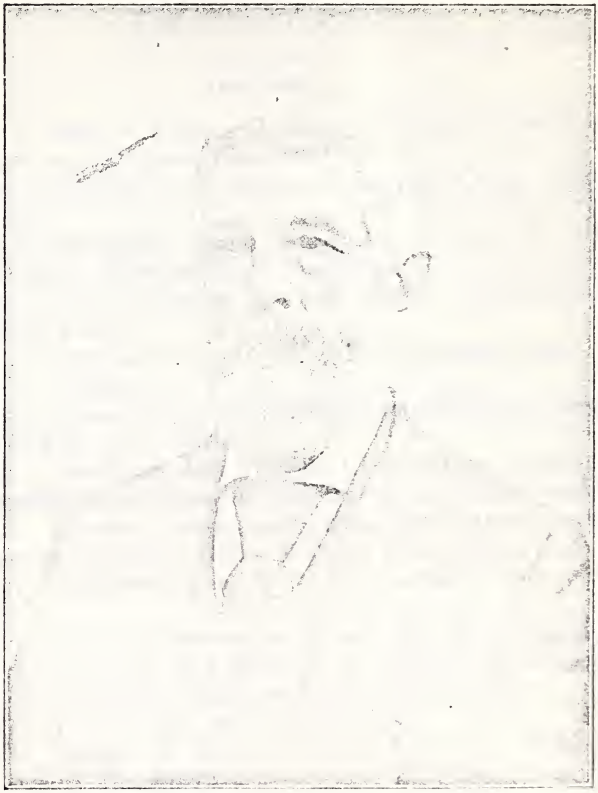

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CHRONOLOGY

JANUARY

3. Born to Peter and Edith (Mitchell) Huter, a daughter, named Arlene Elizabeth.

5. Installation of officers, Waterman Camp, 1572, M. W. A.

7. Old soldiers held a camp-fire at the home of J. S. Kirkpatrick in honor of W. S. Andrews.

11. Born to George M. and Minnie (Gronewold) Wakefield, a son.

13. Surprise party at home of Lee Breeding, about to remove to Indiana.

14. Lyman Fraser and Nellie Cross married at Sandwich, by Rev. J. P. Davies.

15. About this date William C. Whitford completed and occupied a new house at corner of A and Third streets.

16. Sherman Troeger and Jennie Baie married at the residence of the bride's father, William Baie, Adrian, Mo.

21. Lee Breeding and E. R. Tallman held a joint public sale.

21. Guy F. Lamoreux and Linnie May Seeley married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Porter, in Douglas township, Sac county, Iowa, by Rev. G. W. Shideler.

22. J. W. Smith held a public sale.

22. Concert at the U. P. Church by the Wagner Quartette of Monmouth.

22. Reuben Challand, Sr., died at Shabbona.

22. John Darnell of Plano died.

25. C. Herbert Orr died at Ann Arbor, Mich.

25. Mrs. William Henderson died.

26-31. Clifton Remedy Company entertainments.

27. Born to William W. and Millie (Leifheit) Scott, a daughter named Julie Marjorie.

28. William B. Mitchell of Waterman and Mrs. Mamie Clark of Somerset, Ky., married.

29. Gottfried Schmid and Wilhelmina Fees married at the German Lutheran Church.

29. Mr. and Mrs. William Duffy celebrated their golden wedding.

29. Born to David F. and Daisy (Woods) Hipple, a daughter, named Arleen.

30. Mrs. William Roberts died at her home in Chicago.

FEBRUARY

1. Born to Albert Leifheit, a daughter.

1. Rev. Raymond Griffith Pierson became pastor of the Baptist Church.

4. Basket social at Pritchard's Grove school; receipts $20.55; Isabel Harter, teacher.

5. Chris Anderson and Anna, daughter of William Leifheit, married.

7. Rev. and Mrs. Floyd C. Allen arrived at San Francisco, having sailed from Iquique, Chile, December 28.

9. J. W. Smith removed to Lake Crystal, Minn.

?. Born to Frank Merritt of Chicago, a ——

11. Edward J. Myers and Nora Weilert married at the Lutheran parsonage.

12. Army dinner and program at Masonic Hall.

17. Epworth League held a seven-cent social at Masonic Hall.

18. W. T. Wiltberger held a public sale.

18. Mrs. Betsey Merritt of Shabbona died.

18. Waterman Year Book, 1902, published.

19. Wallace H. L'Hommedieu and Cornelia Graham married by Rev. A. G. Hastings. Residence, Fremont, Ind.

19. Henry Diedrich of Elva and Minnie Ilseman of Squaw Grove married at parsoange by Rev. G. Schroeder.

20. Shadow social held at home of John A. Mercer. Net proceeds $11.00.

23. Residence of Mrs. Kate Low totally destroyed by fire.

23. West Division Carom Club met at the home of Hiram Kirkpatrick in honor of A. R. Merriman and family soon to remove to Indiana.

24. Dr. Joseph T. Berry, editor of Epworth Herald, lectured on "What a Tramp Saw in Ireland". (Third number of lecture course.)

24. John Beck held a public sale.

26. Frank Thorpe and Hilda Johnson, also Fred Boekenhauer and Augusta Johnson, married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lamb by Rev. F. L. Baldwin.

27. Christian Endeavor social held at the Presbyterian parsonage. Receipts about $42.00.

MARCH

1. Mrs. Enoch Darnell of Kingston died.

2. Arion Concert Company (fourth number of lecture course.)

2. Mrs. Richard Rowley died in Iowa.

4. George A. Ames and Prudence N. Hawbaker married at Shabbona.

5. Paul B. Howland and Amanda B., daughter of Robert J. Mercer of Chicago, married by Rev. H. Francis Perry of Englewood Baptist Church.

7. Rev. Floyd C. Allen and wife arrived in Waterman.

9. James H. Winn, who married Maud Rogers, died in Rockford.

10. John J. Dean granted license as registered pharmacist.

10. Born to Mervin H. and Alice (Gibbons) Kirkpatrick of York, Neb., a daughter named Julia Belle.

11. Mrs. Frank Tyler of Plano died.

11. G. A. R. camp-fire at home of J. R. Griffith.

12. Miss Alice Tyler of Plano died.

12. Born to Charles Stram, a son.

13. Born to X. Lambley, a son.

?. Born to George Rose of Pasadena, Calif., a ——

14. Republican (Union) caucus to nominate town officers.

17. Born to J. R. Cole, a son.

18. Marvin E. Simpson and E. Mary Nelson married by Rev. R. G. Pierson.

18. Nat Franco, comedian and impersonator (fifth and last number of lecture course.)

19. Annual meeting and election of Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church.

19. The Waterman Leader completes twenty-five years of publication.

24. Roy Graham, son of Prof. Russell Graham, of Monmouth, died.

25. Evan Conard and Nettie A., daughter of Jacob K. Lease, married at Ida Grove, Iowa.

26. The young people surprised Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thorpe and presented them with a book case.

27. Born to Wilson and Fannie (McCleery) Graham, a daughter named Maud G.

? William Starry and Emma Wood married at DeKalb.

APRIL

1. W. E. Dean occupied his new house on North A street.

1. G. A. R. camp-fire held at the home of Comrade A. U. Fuller.

1. Elbert P. Dean commenced his new house on B street.

2. Mrs. Nancy W. Brown died.

5. S. B. Halleck died in Aurora.

5. William Watson died.

7. Annual town meeting; 181 votes cast.

8. Born to Elzie Ray and Margaret (McAllister) Mitchell of Nevada, Iowa, a daughter

10. Entertainment given by Waterman school.

12. Mrs. E. N. Whitney, of Aurora, died.

13. Jennie McClellan died at Sandwich.

16. Adolph Wollenweber and Anna, daughter of Henry Challand, married by Rev. G. Schroeder.

16. Mrs. Mary Nelson Thompson died.

18. Born to Dr. A. W. and Mary (Maxwell) Beveridge, a son named Wilson.

19. Afton township Sunday school convention.

20. Waterman Woman's Club closed their year's work with a banquet.

21. Village election. No license victory; votes cast 116; for license 54, against license 62.

25. Born to Rev. John Lucian and Annabel Clyde Hartsook, of Macomb, Ill., a son named John Clyde.

? H. J. F. Kirchhefer sold his harness shop to H. H. Homan, of Freeport.

? Mrs. Margaret Cone Henderson died at Storm Lake, Iowa.

29. William Doig McCleery died at his home in Victor.

29. John E. Grandadam and Elizabeth F. George married at Somonauk by Rev. Theo. Meyer.

30. C. E. social at home of William Nelson.

30. Harold W. Greeley graduated from Northwestern University Dental School.

MAY

1. Born to George N. and Ada (Wright) Whitford, of Shabbona, a son named Ralph George.

1. Mrs. George N. Whitford of Shabbona died.

3. Rev. George Dunlap became pastor of the Presbyterian church.

8. Epworth League held an amouronthologosphorous sociable at the Masonic Hall.

11. Rev. A. R. Bickenbach of Sandwich gave a lecture recital at the Presbyterian church entitled "An Evening with Ralph Connor."

? J. D. Roberts occupied his new house, corner of B and Fifth streets.

13. Born to Albert and Carrie (Leifheit) Dannewitz, a daughter.

14. Born to Albert Kutzner, a son.

15. Born to William H. and Phebe M. (Reid) Sarbaugh, of Wasco, Ill., a daughter, named Mabel B.

17. Reunion of the Leifheit family at the Clinton House, Waterman.

18. Born to Stewart and Mary (Graham) Dobbin, of Viola, Kan., a daughter named Blanche M.

20. Mary Frances Shepardson died.

21. Reception to Rev. George Dunlap and family at the home of William Nelson. Address of welcome by Rev. F. L. Baldwin.

23. James McCleery died.

23. Born to Henry George and Mary (Livingston)

Dobbin, of Viola, Kan., a daughter named Marjorie Marie.

? H. J. F. Kirchhefer engaged in the harness business in Kirkland.

27. Dr. William S., son of Rev. H. R. Hicks, and Neva D. Prouty married at Princeville, Ill.

28. Baptist ladies served strawberries and cream at the home of F. P. Robinson.

30. Decoration Day. Address at Johnson's Grove cemetery by Rev. F. L. Baldwin.

? Kitt Morenus graduated from Lake View (Iowa) High School.

JUNE

1. Judicial election.

2. Harry Edmund Giles elected principal of the Kenton (Ohio) High School.

2. License issued in Chicago for the marriage of George L. Downey and Mary J. Houlihan (28-23).

3. Rev. George Dunlap installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church. Sermon by Rev. T. H. Allen, of Mendota; charge to pastor by Rev. E. L. Lord, of Aurora; charge to people by Rev. J. S. Martin, of Rochelle.

3. George Harper of Rollo and Maud Coleman of Sandwich married.

5. Ralph Steele Shepardson and Jessie Younge Fox married at Salem, Ill.

7. Township Sunday School convention held at the Methodist church.

17. John Wright Dean and Edyth Maud Weaver married at Hinckley by Rev. W. M. Ewing.

18. Waterman public school closed. No commencement exercises. Guy R. Matteson the only graduate.

23. Rev. C. H. Storms ordained at Cedar Springs, Mich.

24. Dr. W. J. Pollock of Chicago and Mittie Van Voorhis of Kirkland married at Kirkland by Rev. E. D. Hull of Belvidere.

24. Harry Edmund Giles graduated as bachelor of arts from Oberlin (O.) College.

26. Semi-annual business meeting of the C. E. society (Presbyterian) held at John S. Kirkpatrick's.

29. Born to Willard W. and Elizabeth (Cross) Spencer, a daughter named Jessie Mildred.

JULY

1. Free rural mail delivery commenced on Route No. 2. Length of route, 24½ miles; number of families served, 65; J. R. Griffith, carrier.

. Smith Mercer died at Sandwich.

. Rev. F. A. Case became pastor of the First Baptist Church of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

? Born to Emil Grandadam, a girl.

? Born to Mike Rissman, a boy.

? Born to George Marshall, a boy.

4. Daniel Darnell died at Plano.

7. Born to J. W. Swanson of Shabbona, a daughter.

9. Ezekiel Noble of Afton died.

? Ruth, daughter of Dr. J. F. Stevens of Lincoln, Neb., died.

? Mrs. Hastings, mother of Rev. A. G. Hastings, died at New Concord, Ohio.

15. Mrs. A. F. Hauser died at Friend, Neb.

22. Sylvanus Eaton Shepardson died.

23. Woodmen picnic held at Hinckley.

27. Born to Walter A. and Minnie M. (Sarbaugh) Drake, a daughter, named Helen Hazel.

28. Grace C. Smith died.

28. Charles L. Carlson and Nina Stram married.

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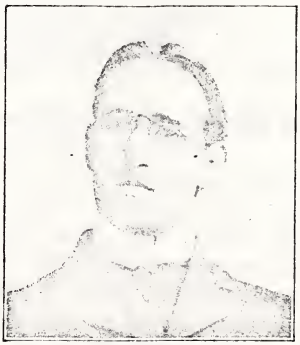


REV. RAYMOND GRIFFITH PIERSON

AUGUST

1. Oscar F. Matteson surprised on his seventy-eighth birthday.

3. Sixty-sixth anniversary of the marriage of William and Lucinda (Emery) Colton, of Waterman, celebrated by a gathering of the children and grandchildren.

3. J. Knox Montgomery of Charlotte, N. C., lectured at the U. P. church on "The Philosophy of Happiness."

5. Patrick Griffin died at Shabbona Grove.

? Born to Walter S. and Charlotte E. (Paxton) Parker of Newark, twin daughters.

8. Nora Martin died.

10. George Hall building a house on A and Fourth streets.

10. About this date Dr. Murphy purchased an automobile, the first in Clinton township.

13. Ninth annual temperance picnic held at DeKalb.

13. John Solon Congdon and Ellen Avery Kellogg married at Wheaton by Rev. J. W. Fifield, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Kansas City.

15. Elbert P. Dean occupied his new house on B street. Cost, $3,500; 33 by 43; eight rooms.

16. Rev. A. G. Hastings announced his resignation as pastor of the U. P. church.

17. Carrie Armstrong died in Chicago.

20. Born to John Carson, a son.

24. Born to Henry and Lily (Wade) Bergholte of DeKalb, a daughter named Lauretta Elizabeth.

25. W. R. Branson, South African miner, and Kuhne Beveridge, American sculptor and granddaughter of Gov. John L. Beveridge, married at Trouville.

27. Mrs. Fred Legner died.

27. William Price of Sugar Grove died.

28. Daniel Judd Shepardson and Mabel Edith Stern

married in Chicago.

29. John Van Fleet of Aurora shot and killed his wife.

SEPTEMBER

1. Miss Mary J. Macklin completed an addition to her store.

1. Charles Tompkins completed an addition to his residence.

2. Twenty-seventh annual Old Settlers' Picnic held at Norton's Grove, near Shabbona.

2. Annual reunion of the One Hundred and Fifth Regiment, Illinois Volunteers, held at Wheaton, Ill.

2. Born to Arthur and Alpha (Fuller) Bean, a daughter, named Edna Gertrude.

5. Union Sunday school picnic.

? Daughter of William R. McCleery died.

9. R. A. York of Sandwich lost a barn struck by lightning.

16. Warren Miller died.

18. Mrs. Mary J. Griffith, stepmother of J. R. Griffith, died at Bloomington, Ill., aged 69.

19. Son of Henry Garbelman died .

22. Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church held a sociable at the home of Dr. P. E. N. Greeley.

23. Members of the G. A. R. held a camp-fire at the home of A C. Kauffman.

26. Farewell reception to Rev. A. G. Hastings, in lecture room of the church.

27. Rev. A. G. Hastings preached his farewell sermon and declared the pulpit of the U. P. church vacant.

OCTOBER

4. Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Reed of Sandwich celebrated their golden wedding.

4. The German Evangelical Lutheran church installed and dedicated a new pipe organ costing $1,700. with 900 stops; weight. 8,000 pounds. Organ recital in afternoon by Prof. S. C. A. Kaeppel of Addison.

5. Young people's lecture course opened by Schiller Male Quartette of Chicago.

6. Isaac Woods died.

6. Sixty-fourth annual Rock River Conference convened at Aurora. Rev. Fred L. Baldwin returned to Waterman.

10. Born to William R. and Maud (Lattin) Low, of Crookston, Minn., a daughter named Margaret.

12. Born to Bert and Katherine (Ullrich) Challand of Shabbona, a son named Harold U.

17. Thompson Jubilee Singers at Masonic Hall.

20. Golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Phillips remembered by friends.

20. Edward F. Neidig and Nina, daughter of Edward P. Orr married at Hinsdale by Rev. M. N. Preston.

22. August Specht and Martha Abel married by Rev. G. Schroeder.

25. Mrs. Eliza M. Dobbin died at Viola, Kansas.

27. Born to Luther W. and Mabel S. (Fraser) Taylor, of Gilmore City, Iowa, a son which died the same day.

27. Hon Alonzo E. Wilson spoke at the Masonic Hall.

30. Meeting held at Waterman to advocate the removal of the court house to DeKalb. Speakers: Rev. Mr. Wilson, State's Attorney A. G. Kennedy and Hon. I. L. Ellwood.

31. Jessie May (Parks) Crawford, once member of the family of William Eckles, graduated as trained nurse from Christ's Hospital, Topeka, Kan.

NOVEMBER

4. Timothy Lawrence O'Brien and Hannah Marshall married at St. Mary's church, DeKalb.

4. Born to Lafayette and Emma (Kauffman) Carson, a son named George Verne.

4. Born to Joseph and Mary (Driscoll) Eakles, a son named Garold.

7. Born to Elbert P. and Ardelia (Whitford) Dean, a daughter, named Jessie Pearl.

10. Election for and against removal of county seat to DeKalb. Vote of Clinton township: For removal, 240; against removal, 4; vote of township at last presidential election.

? Born to Gottfried and Wilhelmina (Fees) Schmid, a son.

? Born to Henry W. and Daisy (Woodruff) Starry, a ——

? Mrs. Charles Schermerhorn died.

13. Mrs. A. H. Phillips died.

14. Born to Bruce and Mary Agnes (Dobbin) Miller of Viola, Kansas, a daughter named Margaret Lucile.

15. The Pogue Bros. Lumber Co. completed their new office.

17. Hotel at Earlville, operated by Fred Schrader, burned.

17. Born to D. Breeding, a girl.

18. John Swanson of Shabbona died.

18. Isaac McGill Kirkpatrick died at Monmouth.

22. Silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Johnson celebrated.

26. Union Thanksgiving services held at the Baptist church. Sermon by Rev. George Dunlap; text, Ps. 16:6.

26. L. L. French, of Greenville, Ohio, and Lida C. Roberts married by Rev. J. L. Hartsook, of Macomb, Ill.

26. Reunion of the Greeley family held at the home of C. F. Allen; 49 present.

26. William Behrens and Amanda Freundt married by Rev. G. Schroeder.

28. Sherman Hall of DeKalb died.

30. Rev. L. B. Wickersham of Des Moines, Iowa, lectured on "Day Dreams." (Second number of lecture course.)

DECEMBER

6. Born to Charles Henderson, of Shabbona, a daughter.

7. Election of officers, Waterman Camp, No. 1572, M. W. A.

10. Bazaar and dinner given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church. Gross receipts $101.36; net, $93.06.

11. Born to Ernest O. Gibbons, a son.

11. Born to Lawrence Duffy, a daughter.

12. W. J. Randles resigned from the Special Court House Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

15. Born to Charles and Frances (Wilson) Crowell, a son.

16. Joe Bergen and Mabel Wiltse, also Ernest Wiltse and Julia Pihl married at DeKalb.

17. Election of officers, Waterman Lodge 728, A. F. & A. M.

17. William Wilson killed by cars in Aurora.

18. J. W. Owens held an auction sale of stock and farm machinery.

19. Mrs. Theodora Kopfer died.

20. Praise meeting and roll call of the Presbyterian church.

21. Eugene V. Farley died.

22. Born to Frank Breeding, a son.

22. Epworth League and friends gave a farewell reception to Rev. Floyd C. Allen and wife.

23. Herman Burmester and Mamie Starry married at Hinckley. by Rev. W. M. Ewing.

24. Joseph Falk and Rosella Swanson married at Waterman.

24. Mrs. Elizabeth Quilhot Miller died.

24. Christmas Eve celebrated at each of the three churches.

25. William M. Dobbin died in Chicago.

29. Rev. Floyd Allen and wife start for South America by way of New Orleans.

31. R. B. Howison and son held a public sale of stock and farm implements.

31. Annual meeting of the Presbyterian church.

31. Miss Jessie Leifheit entertained in an "End of the Year" party.

? Jennie Armstrong married.

? E. E. Mitchell died at Viola, Kansas.

? Mrs. Preston Broughton died.

ERRATA ET ADDENDA 1902

January 15. Born to Frank and Celia (Colton) Pennington, a daughter, named Edith Lucinda.

February 20. Albert M. McCleery and Mary E. Henry married at Goldfield, Iowa.

March 9. Born to Charles and Charity Agnes (Dobbin) Stinson, of Viola, Kansas, a son named Charles Willis.

June 13. Born to Henry Benjamin and Anna Matilda (Legner) Wilson, a daughter named Ilene, who died the same day.

October 8. William H. Graver and Susie F. Low married at Crookston, Minn.

October 17. Born to Roy E. and Lydia (Lawrence)

Greenfield, of Sandwich, a daughter named Helen E.

October 27. Born to Robert and Margaret Pearl (Dobbin) Livingston, of Colorado City, Colo., a daughter named Mary Elizabeth.

October 31. Born to James S. and Ella May (Colton) Knights, a daughter named Myra Lurena.

December 31. Bruce Miller and Mary Agnes Dobbin, both of Viola, Kan., married.

BIOGRAPHY

CARRIE ARMSTRONG

Carrie Armstrong was born in Somonauk township, October 22, 1868. At the age of three years she was left without a mother, and made her home with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White, for about three years, when she returned to her father's home. At the age of sixteen she united with the Somonauk United Presbyterian church and remained a faithful and consistent member until her death. She died in Chicago August 17, 1903.

MRS. NANCY W. BROWN

Nancy Warner was born in Elizabethtown, Canada, March 10, 1826, a daughter of Ralph and Clara (Keeler) Warner. She came to Henry county, Illinois, with her parents in 1845, and to DeKalb in 1850. In her father's family were eleven children, Wilson, Amos, Hester, Rhoda, Nancy, Calvin, John, Marrila, Orman, David and Mary A. She married December 18, 1850, at Bemis, Henry county, Ill., Russell R. Brown, son of James and Fanny (Scott) Brown. He was born in Watertown, N. Y., September 25, 1819. He came to DeKalb county with his parents in 1846, and entered a quarter-section of land in Clinton township, where he followed agriculture until his death which was a most distressing circumstance. He was driving a team of spirited horses near his home, when they became frightened and ran, throwing him out and breaking his back. He died ten days afterward, from the result, July 3, 1864. He left a good property, which Mrs. Brown, with the help of her sons as they grew to manhood, not only kept intact but augmented. In 1888 she moved to the farm near Waterman,

ISAAC WOODS

and two years later came to Waterman to live with her son Fred. Two years ago she went to Aurora to live with her daughter, Mrs. A. G. Case, at whose home she died April 2, 1903. Her children are: (1) Fred A., born September 16, 1851, married Minnie May Kirkpatrick, February 9, 1893, living at Waterman; (2) Ralph R., born October 7, 1853, married Margaret Beveridge, February 18, 1880, living at Waterman; (3) Grace, born March 27, 1855, married Avery G. Case, August 25, 1878, living in Aurora; (4) Sarah C., born July 13, 1860, died November 3, 1862; (5) Cullen Grant, born March 14, 1864, married Minnie Westcott January 14, 1889, living at Sterling, Colo.

REUBEN CHALLAND

Reuben Challand was born in East Bridgeford, Nottinghamshire, England, February 7, 1821, and was a son of Charles and Ann Challand. Early in life Mr. Challand learned the blacksmith trade which he followed in his native country until 1851 when he emigrated to the United States. For the next few years he was the first to work at his trade in Shabbona Grove. Meanwhile he had purchased a farm, onto which he soon removed and continued to reside until 1875. He then retired from farming, moving to Aurora, and in 1877 to Shabbona, where he died January 22, 1903. Mr. Challand married May 15, 1843, Rebecca Brownlow, who died March 24, 1873. Their children were Charles, Elizabeth George, and Reuben, born in England, and Sarah N., Esther R., and Emily M., born in this country. Mr. Challand married a second time, December 30, 1874, at Naperville, Ill., Mrs. Ann Ashling, widow of John Ashling.

DANIEL DARNELL

John Darnell was a son of Benjamin Darnell and Fanny, his wife. He was born in North Carolina, March 8, 1805, removed to Indiana in 1832, and to Kendall county,

Illinois, in 1834. He died January 15, 1852, at Plano, Ill. His wife was Leah Jones, also a native of North Carolina, and a daughter of Tobias Jones. She died at Plano August 4, 1887. Their children were (1) Polly, born August 6, 1826, married John Schneider, and died July 25, 1845; (2) Enoch, born May 17, 1828 (see following sketch); (3) Eli, born August 13, 1830, married November 10, 1863, Catherine Woods (see Year Book, 1902) and died January 16, 1896, at Plano; (4) John Darnell, born December 22, 1831 (see sketch following); (5) Daniel, the subject of this sketch; (6) James, living at Plano; (7) Aaron, living at Sandwich; (8) Alfred, living at Grand Junction, Colorado; (9) Phebe, married William Coulson, living at Hinckley; (10) Martha, living at Plano.

Daniel J. Darnell was born in a fort on the Big Sandy Creek in Marshall county, Ill., November 7, 1833, and has lived in Little Rock township since two years of age. At the breaking out of the Civil War he enlisted, August 19, 1861, in Co. E, Thirty-sixth Regiment, Illinois Volunteers. This was under the first call for three-year men, and his regiment was soon ordered on for active service in Missouri and took part in some of the earliest engagements of the war. His regiment being stationed at the front nearly all the time, he experienced much hard service, during the latter part of which he was stricken with disease and spent some time at the hospital. He never fully recovered from the effects of his army life. On October 21, 1879, he married Olive Rowley, a native of Cook county. She is a daughter of George W. and Hannah (Brown) Rowley, natives of Steuben county, N. Y., who came as pioneers to Elgin, Ill., in 1836. He died at Plano, July 4, 1903.

MRS. ENOCH DARNELL

Cynthia A. Woods, daughter of David and Catherine (Campbel) Woods, was born in Cumberland county, Pa.,

November 23, 1823. In 1846 her parents moved to Kendall county, Ill. At Little Rock, Ill., she married Enoch Darnell, January 1, 1855. He was a son of John and Leah (Jones) Darnell, and was born in Ashe county, N. C., May 17, 1828. He died at Sycamore, Ill., November 12, 1878. Since then Mrs. Darnell lived with her sons, dying at the home of her son Newton, March 1, 1903. She was a member of the United Brethren church. Her children were (1) Agnes, born March 13, 1857, died October 5, 1858; (2) Newton, born in Afton township, December 5, 1858, married Emma Marshall, January 9, 1884, at Sycamore, living near Sycamore; (3) Willis, born in Afton August 9, 1865, living near Kingston.

JOHN DARNELL

John Darnell, son of John and Leah (Jones) Darnell, was born in Evans township, Marshall county, Ill., in 1831, and moved to Kendall county with his parents in 1835. They settled first in Bristol on what is known as the Hatheway farm, but remained there only a short time, owing to the troublesome Indians. They settled then in Little Rock township on the homestead so long owned by John senior and at the time of his death by John junior. John Darnell never married; his sister, Mrs. Martha Elliott kept house for him. By his thrift and intelligent business methods he accumulated a large fortune. He died at Plano, January 22, 1903.

MRS. DAVID M. DOBBIN

Eliza M. Stott was born in South Argyle, N. Y., February 17, 1817, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Hall) Stott. She married in Squaw Grove township, September 9, 1852, as his third wife, David M. Dobbin, a son of William and Margaret (Andrew) Dobbin. He was born in county Antrim, Ireland, December 31, 1813, and died in

Viola, Kansas, November 29, 1898. After coming to the United States he lived first in New York and Ohio. He was one of the charter members of the United Presbyterian church, and a member of the session until his removal to Kansas in 1883. He married first at Salem, N. Y., January 18, 1836, Charity I. Graham, daughter of John and Margaret (Irvine) Graham. She died June 14, 1839, at Reynolds, Ohio. He next married at Salem, N. Y., April — 1843, Mary Jane French, daughter of Jonathan and Ann (Miller) French. She died January 27, 1848, in Squaw Grove township. His children were (1) William John, born in Salem, N. Y., December 5, 1836, married Sarah Ann Stewart, at Freeland, Ill., June 9, 1859, married again Nancy M. Ferguson, in Somonauk township, February 28, 1882, living at Viola, Kansas; (2) Mary Jane, born March 18, 1839, and died August 16, 1839, at Reynoldsburgh, Ohio; (3) Margaret Ann, born December 31, 1844, in Somonauk township, married Thomas Irwin, August 28, 1872, and died January 2, 1875; (4) James Blair, born October 13, 1847, in Squaw Grove, married Lucretia Carr, December 29, 1874, living at Viola, Kansas; (5) Sarah Mary, born June 16, 1853, married Miles Robinson, February 15, 1877, living in Viola, Kansas; (6) Eliza Jane, born June 29, 1859, married James Irvine More, May 17, 1883, living at Viola, Kansas; (7) Isabel Agnes, born February 24, 1857, married Walter O. Speer, March 15, 1883, living at Aledo, Ill.; (8) Emma, born September 4, 1859, married James Harvey Robinson, September 16, 1881, living at Viola, Kansas. Eliza Stott Dobbin, the third wife, died at Viola, Kansas, October 25, 1903.

WILLIAM M. DOBBIN

William M. Dobbin was born in Greenwich, Washington county, N. Y., August 7, 1829 ,and died at the Wesleyan

Hospital in Chicago, December 25, 1903. He was one of a family of seven sons and six daughters. He lived in Clinton township from 1866 to 1877. He never married.

EUGENE V. FARLEY

Eugene V. Farley, son of Isaac P. and Eunice Belinda Farley and brother of Dr. William K. Farley, died at his home, 269 Bissell street, Chicago, December 21, 1903, aged 49. He left one daughter, Mrs. Robert Halcott. Another daughter was Hattie Florette Farley, who died January 2, 1901.

SHERMAN A. HALL

Sherman A. Hall was born October 17, 1829, in Watertown, Jefferson county, N. Y., and was a son of Sherman A. and Betsey (Hutchins) Hall. His earliest known ancestor is Joash, son of Joash and Sarah Hall, born in Wallingford, Conn., February 21, 1766. This Joash was a soldier in the Revolution, the Connecteut records showing that he had a horse shot under him at the Tryon raid on Danbury. His wife's name was Prouty and among his children were Samuel, Powell, Sherman, and William. This son Sherman it was who married Betsey Hutchins and died in Clinton township in the fall of 1863. His children were William, Fannie, Elbert, Russell R., Simeon, Huldah, Almena, and Sherman A. Sherman A. Hall was reared to the age of sixteen in the county where he was born, and in 1845 he came to Kane county, where he was a resident two years previous to his removal to DeKalb ocunty. He then bought 160 acres in Clinton township, wherein he was engaged in farming until 1880. In that year he sold out, removed to DeKalb township and purchased 160 acres on section 13. Later he moved to the city of DeKalb. He died at Citronelle, Ala., November 29, 1903, whither he had gone just previous to his death

on account of his health. He married at DeKalb May 25, 1859, Percis, daughter of Asa and Adeline (Woodruff) Lyon. His children are (1) Harold E., born in Clinton, April 29, 1860, married Stella M. Lovell, December 24, 1902, in Chicago, living at DeKalb; (2) Asahel S., born October 7, 1866, died September 17, 1871; (3) a child, unnamed, born and died August 19, 1874.

MRS. WILLIAM HENDERSON

Carrie Lillie was born in DeKalb county, December 25, 1849, one of three daughters born to Allen and Jane (Kerr) Lillie. Their parents died while they were quite young and they were left alone. Carrie made her home in and about Waterman most of the time. She married December 21, 1882, William Holmes Henderson, who died January 8, 1901. She died at Waterman, January 25, 1903. She was a member of the Methodist church and a charter member of the Ladies' Aid Society of that church. One sister, Mrs. Jacob Stone, of Malta, survives.

JAMES McCLEERY

James McCleery was a son of James and Jane (Thompson) McCleery, natives of New York and Scotland respectively. They were married and settled in Canada, and eight years later moved to Wayne county, Ohio. From Ohio they came to this county in 1851, and settled in Somonauk township, and afterward removed to Victor township, where, May 29, 1859, his mother died. His father then removed to Washington county, Iowa, married again November 3, 1859, and died February 22, 1892. Nine children constituted the issue of the first marriage: John, James, Mary A., Margaret, Elizabeth, William D., Hugh, Robert, and Jane C.

James McCleery was born in Canada, near Gault,

Waterloo county, June 18, 1835. He was seven years of age when his parents moved to Ohio, and remained on his father's farm, assisting in its cultivation and attending the common schools until he attained the age of twenty-two years. Arriving at that age, he set out to fight life's battle alone. He at first engaged in farming, which vocation he followed in Ohio until 1851, when he came to this county. In 1855 Mr. McCleery came into possession of 120 acres of land situated in Victor township. He at once settled on his land and lived thereon for two years when he traded it for 187 acres in Clinton township. He moved on the latter farm in 1861 and made it his home until his death.

He united with the Reformed Presbyterian church in 1856, under the ministry of Rev. John Alford, and in 1863 transferred his membership to the United Presbyterian church, under the pastorate of Rev. W. T. Moffet, of which he remained a faithful member to the end of his life.

December 6, 1883, he was appointed to fill a vacancy in the Board of Supervisors of DeKalb county, and in the year 1884 he was duly elected as a member of that board, in which capacity he served until 1895. In 1889 he was appointed as a member of the DeKalb County Board of Review, and in this responsible and trying position, in company with A. S. Kinsloe and V. R. Glidden he faithfully served. He was earnestly solicited to serve longer in this capacity, but impaired health would not permit. In his public life he enjoyed the confidence and respect of those associated with him.

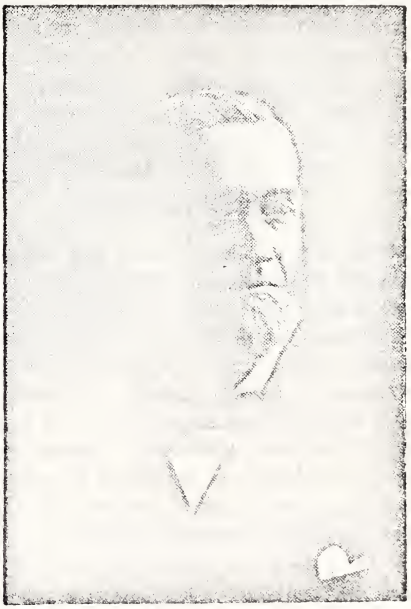
He died May 22, 1903. For several years his health had been failing, but the end came suddenly on a Saturday evening while he was at the supper table with his family.

He married February 1, 1858, Margaret, daughter of Robert and Sarah (Williamson) Graham, who was born in Putnam, N. Y., June 15, 1837. Their children are (1) Sarah Jane, born October 28, 1858, married Nathan Orcutt

Graham, December 14, 1877, and died June 17, 1896; (2) John, born September 27, 1860, died October 4, 1860; (3) Andrew, born December 17, 1861, died January 23, 1865; (4) Margaret, born February 28, 1864, died January 31, 1865; (5) Mary, born April 10, 1866, married A. M. Maxwell, December 17, 1885, living in Squaw Grove township; (6) Fannie Elizabeth, born November 9, 1868, married Wilson Graham, December 30, 1890, living in Victor township; (7) Adeline Isabelle, born July 2, 1870, married T. R. Beveridge, December 25, 1896, living at Eagle Grove, Iowa; (8) William Russell, born July 12, 1873, married Nellie M. Robinson, January 2, 1895, living in Clinton township; (9) Raymond, born April 5, 1876, at home; (10) Jennett, born August 2, 1878, at home.

WILLIAM DOIG McCLEERY

William Doig McCleery was born at Dalton, Ohio, June 10, 1848. He was a son of James and Jane (Thompson) McCleery (see preceding sketch). October 1, 1851, the family moved to Illinois and purchased the farm which has ever since been his home. Early in life he made a profession of his faith in Christ and on June 27, 1883, he was ordained and installed as elder in the United Presbyterian church of Somonauk, in which capacity he served until the time of his death. He married December 20, 1870, Mary Jeanette, daughter of Andrew and Margaret Ann (McGeoch) Randles. She was born at East Greenwich, N. Y., August 14, 1850, and died at the home in Victor township, February 6, 1881. Following her death he married, February 21, 1882, Janette Elizabeth, daughter of John and Sarah Isabella (McGeoch) Maxwell, who was born at Jackson, N. Y., November 24, 1858. Eleven years ago his health failed, and since then part of his time was spent in the west, from which he derived temporary benefit. He



WILLIAM DOIG McCLEERY

died at his home in Victor, April 29, 1903. His children are (1) Andrew J., born October 9, 1871, died September 12, 1872; (2) Howard, born April 1, 1873, married Ethel Carothers, of Stronghurst, Ill., April 2, 1902, residing near Waterman; (3) Albert, born May 4, 1875, married Mary E. Henry, February 20, 1902, living at Eagle Grove, Iowa; (4) Clarence T., born January 28, 1877, died April 2, 1878; (5) Ralph, born August 15, 1878, died January 15, 1880; (6) Ruth, born January 14, 1883, died July 19, 1884; (7) Harry R., born December 2, 1884; (8) Archie, born September 24, 1888; (9) John Maxwell, born August 14, 1890; (10) Fannie E., born June 13, 1892.

SMITH MERCER

Smith Mercer (he was named David Smith Mercer after his maternal grandfather) was born in Hookstown, Beaver county, Pa., May 12, 1827. He was a son of Robert and Elizabeth (Smith) Mercer, and a grandson of Joseph and Comfort (Nottingham) Mercer; other children were Joseph, James, Jonathan, Robert, Mary, Jane and a sister of whom Joseph and the sister Jennie survive, still making their home in Beaver county. He was married November 14, 1850, to Margaret Thornberg, a daughter of James and Nancy (Veasey) Thornberg, born in Beaver county, February 9, 1831. He established a home in Beaver county which was destroyed by fire November 5, 1854. The next year Mr. Mercer visited Illinois and in 1856 settled here, buying the farm of 80 acres on which he so long lived. His wife died November 24, 1888, and on April 8, 1892, he moved to Sandwich, where he died July 1, 1903. Mr. Mercer was a member of the United Presbyterian church, in which he had held the office of elder. He served as school director fourteen years. He had also held the office of assessor in Clinton township one year (1872-3), collector two years

(1860-1862), and commissioner of highways six years (1877-1883). His children are (1) A daughter, unnamed, born October 8, 1851, died October 10, 1851; (2) a daughter, unnamed, born March 16, 1853, died May 13, 1853; (3) Robert James, born in Beaver county, Pa., March 20, 1854, married Emma Heun, February 1, 1882, living in Chicago; (4) Joseph, born March 1, 1856, married Lina Elinger, at Odebolt, Iowa, in November, 1882, living in Chicago; (5) Elisha Thomas, born in Clinton township (the remaining children were born here), January 31, 1858, married Ida Hamlin, at Somonauk, November 24, 1882, living at Somonauk; (6) John Andrew, born January 24, 1860, married Alice Fisher, at Waterman, December 17, 1891, living on the home farm; (7) Alwin L., born August 28, 1861, married Rose Didda, at Ida Grove, Iowa, December 6, 1884, living in Anitgo, Wis.; (8) William Moffett, born March 8, 1863, married Ella Lattin at Franklin, Neb., December 6, 1884, living in Aurora, Ill.; (9) Samuel Wallace, born December 22, 1865, died January 16, 1887, at Waterman, Ill.; (10) Ida Belle, born May 2, 1868, of Sandwich; (11) Jennie, born November 10, 1870, married James E. Landen, at Waukegan, Ill., October 17, 1901, living in Buffalo, N. Y.

MRS. JOHN MERRITT

Betsey E. Simpson was born at Clarendon, Orleans county, N. Y., December 20, 1830. She was a daughter of Ira and Fannie (Cox) Simpson. She married in 1850 Ira Chamberlain, who died February 8, 1857. By this marriage there were two children, Clara, who died when two or three years old, and Kate, who married A. E. Henning in 1880 and died June 28, 1887. After the death of her first husband, Mrs. Chamberlain married October 10, 1865, John Merritt. He was a son of Joseph and Esther (Dean) Mer-

ritt, and was born Ocotber 6, 1828. He married first, October 11, 1854, Rhoda Fay, who died November 12, 1862. Mrs. Chamberlain was his second wife. Mr. Merritt died February 8, 1896, Mrs. Merritt February 18, 1903. They had two children, George T., who died June 6, 1869, aged one year and three months, and Emma C., born at Waterman, June 17, 1870, and married Alvin Woodbury, December 28, 1892, living at Shabbona.

WARREN MILLER

Warren Miller, son of Asa and Mary Ann Miller, was born in Pennsylvania, October 21, 1843. He came to Illinois with his parents in 1845. On January 7, 1868, he married Florence C., eldest daughter of Oscar F. and Marion A. (Hall) Matteson. They moved to Iowa the same year, returning to Illinois in 1873. He died at his home near Shabbona Grove, September 16, 1903. His children are Asa O., Mary A., Lorenzo E., Genevieve, Cora B., Belinda E., and Laura E.

C. HERBERT ORR

C. Herbert Orr was born at Waterman, Ill., July 6, 1880, a son of Edward P. and Emma (Taylor) Orr. In 1894 the family removed to Downer's Grove and a year later to Hinsdale where Herbert completed his grammar and high school education, graduating from the latter in 1900 with the highest honors. In 1901 he entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, taking a course in engineering, and his rapid progress in his studies gave promise of a successful career in his chosen profession. He died suddenly of heart failure January 25, 1903, at Ann Arbor.

MRS. A. H. PHILLIPS

Caroline Owen was born in Canada July 23, 1828, and

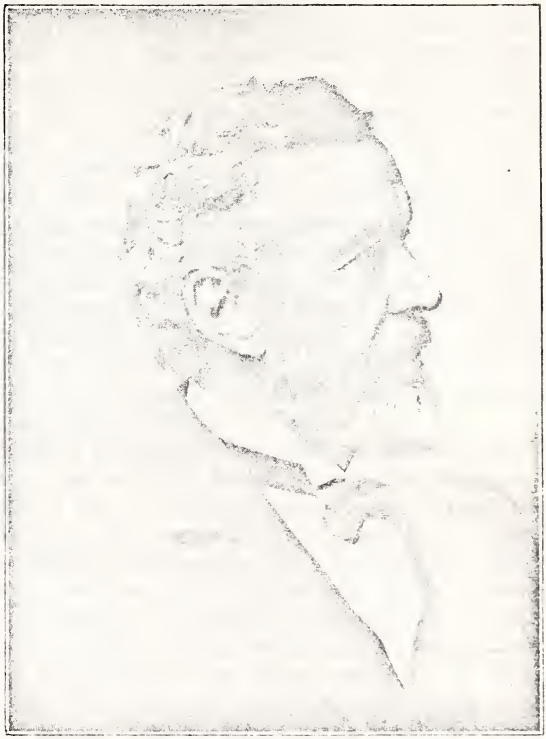
married Albert Phillips in Steuben, Oneida county, N. Y., October 20, 1853. They came to Illinois in April, 1858, and settled in Clinton township on a farm in the spring of 1859. About 1875 they moved to Waterman where they have since resided. Mrs. Phillips united with the Methodist church about forty-five years ago, and was one of its oldest members. She had been in poor health for some time and was compelled to give up her work last August. She died November 13, 1903.

MRS. R. P. ROWLEY

Mary Ann Finckle was born in Rensselaer county, N. Y., August 10, 1827, a daughter of Nicholas Finckle. She married first Jacob Pitcher, by whom she had one child, Sarah E., now Mrs. Cummings of Waterloo, Iowa. After the death of Mr. Pitcher she married Richard P. Rowley. She died at the home of her daughter, March 4, 1903.

SYLVANUS EATON SHEPARDSON

The Shepardson family of this country is sprung from Daniel Shepardson, of Malden, Mass., who was a blacksmith in Salem in 1628, was in Charlestown, 1632, and died in Malden, July 26, 1644.* His wife, Joanna, died January 30, 1661. Their son, Daniel, was baptized in Charlestown June 14, 1639, and married April 11, 1668, Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Call, Sr., of Malden, and widow of Mr. Samuel Quigley, of Malden. He died March 11, 1691. Their son, John, of the third generation, was baptized in January, 1671, and lived in Attleboro, Mass., till 1697, when he moved to Rehoboth. He married Elizabeth Fuller, who was baptized May 30, 1679. His son, Daniel, of the fourth generation, was born March 16, 1700, and died in 1770. He married first December 29, 1725, Hannah Richardson, who died September 26, 1726. He then married



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May 9, 1728, Mary Washburn. His children were Daniel, born 1726, John 1729, Hannah 1730, Zepheniah 1733, and Setphen 1735, recorded at Attleboro, and perhaps others. He removed with his family to Guilford, Vt. As Guilford and Halifax are neighboring towns it was probably this Zepheniah, born 1733, who was the father of Jerad Shepardson, who was born July 15, 1763, and who died at Halifax, Vt., July 5, 1809. (It is known that his father was named Zepheniah.) Jared Shepardson married Ruth Church, who was born September 29, 1770, and died at Gerry, N. Y., August 9, 1850. Their children were Clarissa, born October 7, 1794, married Solomon Fessenden and died in Wisconsin, December 6, 1868; Damaris, born March 1, 1799, married a Bucklin and died in Gerry, N. Y., March 12, 1848; John and William, born March 19, 1804, the former died in Danville, Canada, October 2, 1840; Matilda and Lucinda, born June 23, 1806; Matilda married Charles Williams of Rainham, Canada; Lucinda married Oren Strong and died September 16, 1859.

William Shepardson was born at Halifax, Vt., March 19, 1804, and married January 14, 1829, Hannah Eaton, daughter of Sylvanus and Almira (Sloan) Eaton, who was born July 23, 1807, at Coit's Gore, Franklin county, N. H. In 1845 William Shepardson, his wife, and three children, in company with James W. Wesson and family, in all a party of eleven, migrated from Gerry, Chautauqua county, N. Y., to Illinois, traveling the entire distance by wagon and locating near Ross Grove, Paw Paw township. William Shepardson and his wife were members of the Johnson's Grove Baptist church. In October, 1857, "William Shepardson was rec'd a Member of the Chh by Experience formerly Connected with the Methodist." A week or two later his wife was received. During the next few years he served frequently on committees of the church. He died July 24, 1882.

His son, Sylvanus Eaton Shepardson, the subject of this sketch, was born in Gerry, N. Y., August 15, 1832. He came to Illinois with his parents in 1845, lived at Romeo, Will county, in 1845 and at Warrenville, DuPage county in 1846. He lived at home with his parents from 1846 to 1861, in the meantime teaching school some winters and attending school at Mount Morris Academy, Ogle county, Ill. In 1861, his parents moved to Aurora and he bought the home farm, part of which had been taken from the government by his father at Ross Grove. He continued farming until 1873 when the left the farm temporarily and moved to Iowa to engage in the banking business at Marble Rock, Floyd county, with his brother Jared, the firm being Shepardson Bros. In 1879 he left Iowa and moved to Aurora, Illinois, living there until 1882, when he moved to Sugar Grove, Kane county, Illinois, and re-engaged in farming. In 1889 he retired from farming, moved back to Aurora and lived on the West Side until March, 1902, when, having built a new house, "The Larches" on the home farm at Ross Grove, he retired to that place and lived there until his death, July 22, 1903. The public offices held by him were Justice of the Peace and Supervisor of Paw Paw township, DeKalb county, and School Trustee (1882) and Supervisor (1884-1887) of Sugar Grove township, Kane county, Ill. In politics he voted for Fremont in 1856 and remained a Republican until 1884 at which time he became a Prohibitionist and remained so until his death. He was an active member of no church.

He married October 14, 1863, at Patterson, Putnam county, N. Y., Lucy M. Judd, daughter of Daniel Steele and Ruth Ursula (Stevens) Judd. She was born September 22, 1832, at Patterson, N. Y., and is living on the old homestead at Ross Grove. Their children were (1) Willie, born at Ross Grove, August 9, 1864, died there September 14, 1865;

(2) Jared Clayton, born at Ross Grove, August 19, 1865, married Maude Beelar at Marble Rock, Iowa, in 1894, farming in Pleasant Grove township, Floyd county, Iowa; (3) Charles Judd, born at Ross Grove September 3, 1866, married Lottie McDole at Sugar Grove, 1892, farming at Ross Grove; (4) Harry, born at Ross Grove, September 30, 1867, died at Ross Grove, November 3, 1867; (5) Phillip Jerome, born at Ross Grove November 9, 1868, died at Ross Grove September 1, 1870; (6) Mary Frances, born at Ross Grove September 11, 1870, died at Ross Grove, May 20, 1903; (7) Ralph Steele, born at Ross Grove, March 2, 1873, married Jessie Younge Fox, at Salem, Ill., June 5, 1903, architect, Aurora, Ill.; (8) John Eaton, born May 21, 1875, at Marble Rock, Iowa, civil engineer in New York City; (9) Daniel Judd, born February 25, 1879, at Marble Rock, Iowa, married Mabel Edith Stern, August 28, 1903, farming at Ross Grove.

MARY FRANCES SHEPARDSON

Mary Frances Shepardson was born at Ross Grove, DeKalb county, Ill., September 11, 1870, and was a daughter of Sylvanus Eaton and Lucy M. (Judd) Shepardson. With her parents she lived in Marble Rock, Iowa, Aurora, and Sugar Grove, Ill. There she attended the Sugar Grove school, then a popular semi-private school conducted by Frank H. Hall, and graduated in a class of ten, June 18, 1886. In January, 1888, she entered Northwestern Academy at Evanston and later attended the University of Illinois at Champaign, her school life ending in February, 1892. From that time on her life was spent quietly almost uneventfully in the home of her parents. On its tenth anniversary in 1896 she entertained the class of '86, Sugar Grove, at her home in Aurora, and her contributions to the class letter furnish glimpses of her resigned yet cheerful and

affectionate disposition. In April, 1898, she wrote of a trip which she took the preceding summer around the Great Lakes, St. Lawrence, Prince Edward's Island and Boston. In February, 1900 ,she wrote: "I stay quietly at home just proving myself a *blessing* to my good father and mother. Now don't anyone question that statement." In September, 1901, she said, "I am still with my father and mother at the old home in Aurora and trust that this condition may prevail indefinitely, with one exception, that I hope and expect it will be at the old home in Shabbona Grove, DeKalb county, after some time in December. To my great satisfaction we are planning to move into the country once more and this time I hope we may stay. I hope you will all come and see me there." Her last contribution to the letter, about May 1, 1903, was left unfinished at her death and is reproduced in photographic fac-simile elsewhere. Disease, whose presence her classmates had scarcely guessed, so genial had been her letters, ended her life, May 20, 1903. During her last days as her strength permitted she had gone to her piano and played, "I know that my Redeemer liveth, and hath prepared a home for me." She was a great comfort to her father, there existing a close companionship between them, and after her death he aged very rapidly, dying two months afterward.

MRS. GRACE SMITH

Grace C. Smith was born near Waterman, September 27, 1883, and was the eighth child of Samuel S. and Margaret S. Smith. She married Israel Smith, October 28, 1901, and died at her mother's home in Shabbona Grove, Ill., July 28, 1903.

MRS. MARY THOMPSON

Mary Nelson was born at Seville, Ohio, March 8,

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1836, a daughter of Cyrus and Kate Nelson. She was married in October, 1853, to A. N. Thopmson, a son of John and Annie Thompson. He was born in Salem, Washington county, N. Y., in June, 1824, and died at Waterman, February 16, 1893. In 1854 he and his wife moved to Illinois, settling in Victor township . From the farm they moved to Waterman in 1891. Here Mrs. Thompson continued to live until 1902 when she went to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sawyer, where she died April 16, 1903. She had two children, (1) Lottie R., born March 1, 1864, married February 16, 1882, Nicholas Sawyer, and living in Victor township; and (2) Robert Thompson, who died in his third year.

WILLIAM WATSON

William Watson was born in the county of Sussex, England, April 18, 1818. When ten years old he came with his parents to the United States. The family settled at Albany, N. Y. In 1838, he married Agnes Ferguson, and moved to Oswego, N. Y., where he followed the carpenter and joiner's trade until 1851, when he came to DeKalb county, Ill. Here he continued to reside until his death April 5, 1903. His children are Robert T., of Victor township; William, in California; Edward, on the home place, and James, of Sycamore. One died in infancy, and Elizabeth N. Marvyne at the age of thirty-four years.

MRS. GEORGE N. WHITFORD

Ada Marguerite Wright was born at Middle Creek, Ogle county, Ill., June 5, 1877, a daughter of George Henry and Sarah Louise (DeVer) Wright. Her parents moved to Pecatonica in 1893, which place became her home until June 14, 1899, when she married George Nathan, son of Myron C. and Phebe (Elmer) Whitford of Waterman. The young couple made their home in Shabbona. Here a son

was born to them May 1, 1903, to whom was given the name Ralph George. The death of the mother followed in a few hours. At the age of fifteen Mrs. Whitford professed conversion, uniting with the Methodist church, and transferring her membership later to the Congregational church of Shabbona.

WILLIAM WILSON

William Wilson was born in England in 1834. In 1856, with two cousins, James and Thomas Wilson, he came to this country. At first he worked as a farm hand, then learned the carpenter's trade. In June, 1861, he enlisted in Co. K. Twenty-third Illinois, under Colonel Mulligan. His regiment was captured September 21, 1861, paroled and sent home. After three months it was re-organized and sent to Virginia. After serving his time out he enlisted in the Fourth Illinois Cavalry. At the close of the war he resumed work at the carpenter's trade, the Methodist church of Waterman being among the buildings upon which he was engaged. Later he gave up carpentering and resumed work as a farm hand. He was killed in Aurora, December 17, 1903, on the C. & N. W. tracks. He was a member of T. S. Terry Post No. 463 G. A. R.

ISAAC WOODS

Isaac Spence Woods was born in Dry Run, Franklin county, Pa., May 17, 1835. His parents were David H. and Catherine (Campbell) Woods. The Woods were of Scotch-Irish descent, but were early settlers of the United States. The paternal grandfather of Isaac S. Woods was a native of Pennsylvania, and shared with Daniel Boone, whose companion he was, the dangers and privations incident to the settlement of Kentucky. Mr. Woods came to Illinois with his parents in April, 1846, settling in Kendall county,

where he lived the life of a farmer, and where he received the best part of his education. He was married at Little Rock, Illinois, December 20, 1865, to Pluma Elizabeth Ovitt, a daughter of Squares Addison and Emily Celestia (Durrell) Ovitt. She was born at Little Rock, November 26, 1844. In 1865, Mr. Woods removed to DeKalb county and located on section 34, Afton township. He quickly became prominent in the social and civic affairs of his township and served as collector and assessor for several terms. In 1892 he was elected supervisor and served several terms as such. He was one of the board's most highly esteemed members. Mr. Woods first united with the Baptist church, but about 1869 he joined the Methodist church, of which he and his family became prominent members. He was widely acquainted, and esteemed for his kindly, genial nature. He had been for many years a sufferer from rheumatism, and two years ago had a stroke of paralysis from which he partially recovered. He died at his home October 6, 1903. Of a family of eleven children he leaves but one survivor, Mrs. Martha Lamb, of Waterman. (See biographies of Mrs. Enoch Darnell, elsewhere in this volume, and Mrs. Eli Darnell, in Year Book, 1902.) His children, all born at Waterman are (1) John W., born September 25, 1866, married Ella Broughton, at Lee's Summit, Mo., January 30, 1895; (2) Minnie E., born November 10, 1867, married Lewis G. Fuller, October 6, 1892; (3) Charles S., born July 4, 1870; (3) Daisy A., born August 4, 1873, married Daivd F. Hipple, March 29, 1893; (5) Ida B., born January 13, 1878; (6) Emma C., born March 13, 1879.

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*The information concerning the early generations of the Shepardson family was furnished by Francis Wayland Shepardson, Ph. D., Associate Professor of American History in the University of Chicago.

Nancy W Brown.

E. A Noble

Caroline Phillips

S E. Shepardson

Isaac L Woods

DIRECTORY

BAPTIST CHURCH

Organized October 11, 1856, as the Clinton Center Baptist church; now the First Baptist church of Waterman. Became member of Aurora Association June 4, 1862. Church edifice dedicated January 15, 1873. Present membership, 51.

Pastor, Raymond Griffith Pierson.
Clerk, Carrie P. Congdon.
Treasurer, Irene Whitford.
Deacons, Alexander Henderson, Drew Swift.
Trustees, Alexander Henderson, Drew Swift, G. G. Congdon, Marvin Simpson, F. P. Robinson.
Organist, Carrie Congdon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Reorganized after a period of inactivity August 5, 1888. Present enrollment, 53.

Superintendent, Mrs. Adelaide Greenwood.
Secretary and Treasurer, Carrie Congdon.
Librarian, Bessie Robinson.
Assistant Librarian, Mabel Swift.
Organist, Irene Whitford.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

Organized June 5, 1892, with ten members. Present membership, 17. This society won the International Conquest Missionary Banner in 1893.

President, Irene Whitford.
Vice-President, Carrie Congdon.
Secretary, Carrie Martin.
Treasurer, Mabel Swift.
Organist, Irene Whitford.

WORKERS' SOCIETY.

President, Mrs. Adelaide Greenwood.
Secretary, Irene Whitford.
Treasurer, Mrs. Alexander Henderson.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN EMANUEL CHURCH

Pastor, Gottlieb F. Schroeder (R. F. D. 1, Hinckley).
Parochial school teacher and organist, Prof. Chr. Heine.
Elders, John Schmidt, Charles Boekenhauer, Henry Hartmann.
Trustees, August Borchers, Hy Temme, M. Rissmann.
School trustees, William Ilsemann, August Leifheit.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Pastor, Fred L. Baldwin.
Trustees, Frank Greeley, president; Adelbert Fuller, secretary and treasurer.
Official board, Rev. F. L. Baldwin, president; David Hipple, secretary; S. M. Henderson, treasurer.
Class leaders, Amos L. McCaskey, Roy Wakefield.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent, S. M. Henderson.
Assistant superintendent, D. B. Hipple.
Secretary and treasurer, Fred Beiser.
Librarian, Robert Fuller.
Organist, Miss Mabel Hipple.
Chorister, May Fuller.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

President, Mrs. H. L. Fuller.
Vice-president, Mrs. F. L. Baldwin.
Secretary, Mrs. R. R. Brown.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. M. Henderson.
Treasurer, Mrs. Martha Lamb.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Chapter No. 3976. Date of charter November 10, 1890. Membership active 69, associate 9.

President, Robert Fuller.
First Vice-President, Mary Fuller.
Second Vice-President, Ida Woods.
Third Vice-President, Minnie Wiltberger.
Fourth Vice-President, Fred Beiser.
Secretary, Grace Tallman.
Treasurer, Clarence L. Greeley.
Organist, Mabel Hipple.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

President, Mrs. S. M. Henderson.
Vice-President, Mrs. H. A. Lamb.
Secretary, Mrs. J. J. A. Zeller.
Treasurer, Miss Carrie Fuller.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Organized as the Clinton Center Presbyterian church, May 1, 1864. Present membership, 108.

Pastor, George Dunlap, A. M.

Session, J. S. Kirkpatrick, W. M. McFarlane, J. M. Smiley (clerk), John Weber.

Trustees, William Richmond, A. C. Kauffman, William Nelson.

Treasurer, W. M. McFarlane.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent, John Weber.

Assistant Superintendent, W. M. McFarlane.
Secretary and Treasurer, Mollie Gunderson.
Superintendent of Home Department, Anna Beiler.
Primary Leader, Mrs. J. S. Kirkpatrick.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Organized August 28, 1892. Present membership, active 35, associate 11.
President, George Wallace.
Vice-President, John Weber.
Secretary, Mabel Kirkpatrick.
Treasurer, Anna Beiler.
Librarian, Mrs. W. M. McFarlane.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ida Kirkpatrick.

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

President, Mrs. Sara H. Dunlap.
Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Kirpatrick.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

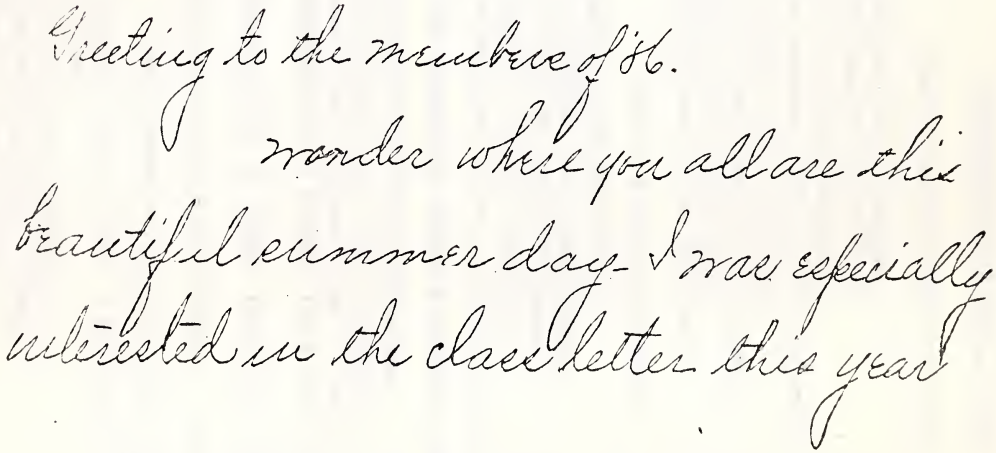
President, Mrs. Leota Baldry.
Secretary, Mrs. Georgia Bradbury.
Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Nelson.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor (pastorless).
Members of session, T. H. Robinson, W. C. Ferguson, F. P. Richey, Ward McAllister, George A. Howison.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Superintendent, Howard McCleery.
Assistant Superintendent, May Beveridge.
Secretary and Treasurer, Anna Randles.



MARY FRANCES SHEPARDSON'S LAST MESSAGE TO CLASS OF '86, SUGAR GROVE

NOTE: Engravers in trimming, cut away the first word, "I".

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHRISTIAN UNION.

President, Ralph Howison.
Vice-President, Mabel Smith.
Secretary, Agnes Ferguson.
Corresponding Secretary, Mae Beveridge.
Treasurer, Harry McCleery.
Junior Superintendent, Susie Graham.
Assistant, Belle McAllister.
Tithe Secretary, Lulu McCleery.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

President, Belle McAllister.
Vice-President, Mrs. Jane Graham.
Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Howison.
Treasurer, Margaret Beveridge.
Corresponding Secretary, Nettie McCleery.

CLINTON TOWNSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

President, Mrs. W. M. McFarlane.
Vice-President, Mrs. S. M. Henderson.
Secretary and Treasurer, Carrie Congdon.
Superintendent of Primary Work, Mrs. J. S. Kirkpatrick.
Superintendent of Home Department Work, Anna Beiler.
Superintendent of Normal Work, S. M. Henderson.

WATERMAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Organized May 16, 1901. The following officers were chosen in 1902:
President, Mary Macklin.
Vice-President, Bertha Tallman.
Secretary, Harry Stryker.

Treasurer, Carrie Colton.

CLASS OF 1903.

Guy R. Matteson.

WATERMAN WOMAN'S CLUB

Organized October 18, 1902. Motto: "New occasions teach new duties." Colors: White and gold. Subject for 1903-1904: "English authors during the Victorian age." Membership, 45.

OFFICERS.

President, Miss Carrie Fuller.
Vice-President, Mrs. John Kirkpatrick.
Secretary, Mrs. George M. Wallace.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. A. Zellar.
Program Committee, Mrs. W. M. McFarlane, Mrs. W. S. Andrews, Miss Carrie Congdon.

T. S. TERRY POST No. 463 G. A. R.

Organized June 14, 1884. Located at Shabbona, Ill.
Commander, John Mullins.
Senior Vice Commander, John A. McCormick.
Junior Vice Commander, A. C. Kauffman.
Surgeon, S. D. Wesson.
Chaplain, Anthony Darling.
O. D., A. L. Wells.
O. G., William Bowker.

WATERMAN LODGE No. 728 A. F. & A. M.

Election, December 17, 1903.
W. M., Warren T. Wiltberger.
Senior W., William C. Whitford.
Junior W., Adam J. Heeg.

Secretary, Dr. P. E. N. Greeley.
Treasurer, Soren Larson.
Senior D., W. M. McFarlane.
Junior D., Glenn W. Bradbury.
Tyler, A. C. Baie.

WATERMAN CAMP No. 1572 M. W. A.

Organized January 7, 1892, with ten members. Present membership 60. Present officers installed January 1904.

Venerable Consul, William Reid.
Worthy Advisor, W. T. Wiltberger.
Banker, William W. Scott.
Clerk, Glenn W. Bradbury.
Physician, Dr. P. E. N. Greeley.
Escort,
Watchman,
Sentry,

TOWN OF CLINTON

Supervisor, W. J. Randles.
Town Clerk, W. E. Dean.
Assessor, F. A. Brown.
Collector, J. A. Satterlee.
Commissioners of Highway, A. C. Baie (1903), William Reid, Theodore Johnson.
Justices of the Peace, G. G. Congdon, Isaac Potter.
Constables, N. F. Davenport, T. H. Hinds.
Trustees of Schools, W. G. Potter (1903), T. H. Robinson, H. A. Lamb.

VILLAGE OF WATERMAN

President of Board, S. M. Henderson.
Trustees, A. U. Fuller (1902), Roy Wakefield (1902),

Soren Larson (to fill vacancy), J. S. Kirkpatrick (1903), G. H. Greeley (1903), W. A. Congdon (1903).

Clerk, Fred G. Beiler (to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Avon Zellar).

Police Magistrate, W. M. McFarlane.

Village Treasurer, R. R. Brown.

Street Commissioner, C. W. Colton.

Committees: Finance, Wakefield, Congdon, Greeley; building, Kirkpatrick, Larson, Congdon; license, Congdon, Fuller Greeley.

WATERMAN SCHOOL

Principal, George M. Wallace.

Intermediate, Mary E. Fuller.

Primary, Mary Edith Macklin.

Directors, W. M. McFarlane, William Richmond, S. M. Henderson.

WATERMAN LECTURE COURSE COMMITTEE

Composed of representatives from the three young people's societies of the churches.

Chairman, W. M. McFarlane.

Secretary and Treasurer, Carrie P. Congdon.

Corresponding Secretary, Roy Wakefield.

DeKALB COUNTY OLD SETTLERS' ASSOCIATION

The twenty-eighth annual picnic will be held Wednesday, September 7, 1904. Present constitution adopted September 4, 1901.

President, S. D. Wesson, Victor (P. O., Leland).

Vice Presidents, DeKalb, S. W. Patten; Sycamore, T. A. Cliffe; Clinton, G. G. Congdon; Squaw Grove, William Sebree; Victor, W. H. Keene; Paw Paw, Robert Hampton.

Secretary and Treasurer, S. M. Henderson, Waterman.

Historian, G. E. Congdon, Waterman.

CLINTON TOWNSHIP REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

S. M. Henderson.
W. M. McFarlane.
W. J. Randles.

MISCELLANEOUS

OLD PEOPLE OF WATERMAN AND VICINITY

*William Colton, October 14, 1811.

Sarah Williamson Graham, June 10, 1813 (Victor township).

Ephraim Jackson Wood, April 1, 1815.

*Lucinda Emery Colton, August 16, 1818.

Harriet Shonts Swift, November 16, 1819.

William H. Keene, March 4, 1820 (Victor township).

James Baremore, March 17, 1820.

George W. Place, April 23, 1820.

Emeline Atkins Giles, September 29, 1821.

William Howison, October 18, 1821.

Ezra Morgan Ames, June 5, 1822.

Henry Challand, February 3, 1823.

D. B. Stryker, April 30, 1823.

Elizabeth Such Bradbury, October 16, 1823.

Elizabeth Lang Irving, February 14, 1824.

Fannie Richardson Hinds, March 14, 1824.

Catherine Walls Howison, December 25, 1824.

Oscar Fitzaland Matteson, August 1, 1825.

Martha Davis, December 25, 1825.

Timothy Holden Hinds, June 18, 1826.

David Hoagland, December 15, 1826.

Wealthy Davis Hoagland, February 24, 1827.

Enoch P. Rowley, April 18, 1827.

Hiram Kirkpatrick, July 23, 1827.

William Gibbons, December 22, 1827 (Victor township).

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*Mr. and Mrs. Colton were married in Dryden, Tompkins county, New York, August 3, 1837, and are therefore in their sixty-seventh year of wedded life.

Peter Normandin, January 20, 1828.
George Griffith Congdon, February 29, 1828.

FORMER RESIDENTS.

John Walker, Sandwich, Ill., April 5, 1818.
Laura Carpenter Whitford, Ottawa, Kan., December 8, 1818.
Abigail Mack Persons, Fort Dodge, Iowa, June 5, 1820.
Richard P. Rowley, Big Rock, Ill., February 26, 1824.
Smiley Kirkpatrick, Mendota, Ill., March 31, 1825.
John D. McDiarmid, Big Rock, Ill., October 23, 1825.
William Heun, Eldora, Iowa, March 23, 1827.
Morris P. Brown, Aurora, Ill., July 25, 1827.
Louisa Boardman McAllester, Randolph, Mass., December 3, 1828.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS FOR YEAR 1903

The deaths in DeKalb county as reported for the year ending December 31, 1903, numbered 311. As reported for the various towns the numbers are as follows:

Franklin	7	Clinton	6
South Grove	1	Victor	5
Malta	16	Genoa	22
Milan	9	Sycamore	39
Shabbona	18	Cortland	10
Paw Paw	11	Pierce	3
Kingston	14	Squaw Grove	14
Mayfield	8	Somonauk	9
DeKalb	62	Sandwich	49
Afton	8		

The births for the same time numbered 645.

(All of above as shown by the physicians' returns made to the County Clerk for said year..)

A. S. KINSLOE, County Clerk.

FREIGHT AND PASSENGER TRAFFIC

The following is an itemized report of the business done by the C. B. and Q. Railroad at the Waterman station for the years 1902 and 1903:

Freight forwarded in car load lots.	1902.	1903.
Cattle	57	46
Hogs	100	100
Sheep	9	
Horses	2	3
Corn	85	61
Oats	60	69
Hay	4	86
Miscellaneous	9	12
Total	326	377
Freight received in carload lots.		
Lumber	64	51
Coal	76	79
Miscellaneous	203	118
Total	343	248
Tonnage in less than car load lots	741	744

	1902.	1903.
Total ticket sales	$ 6,593.73	$7,455.74
Freight received	11,021.48	9,486.41
Freight forwarded	7,837.93	8,293.64
Total	$25,453.14	$25,235.79

C. W. BALDRY, Agent.

COURT HOUSE ELECTION.

The returns from the court house election of November 10, 1903, are given below. They were never received officially, and the decisions of the court since have been uni-

formly against the validity of the election. Sycamore partisans generally did not vote.

	For removal.	Against removal.
Paw Paw	80	3
Shabbona	246	4
Milan	172	2
Malta	256	10
South Grove	30	1
Franklin		No election.
Victor	86	7
Clinton	240	4
Afton	174	1
DeKalb	2015	0
Mayfield	12	1
Kingston		No election.
Somonauk	88	2
Sandwich	132	33
Squaw Grove	129	18
Pierce	110	3
Cortland	79	5
Sycamore		No election.
Genoa	38	23
Total	3887	117

The vote of the county in 1900 was 8169.

ROSE FAMILY RECORD

[Copy of an old Bible Record in the possession of Mrs. J. A. Tallman, Waterman, Ill. Two leaves cut from an old Bible.]

BIRTHS

Joseph Rose
those hereafter mentioned
the 17th 1775
Deborah Rose
was Born May the 16th
Daniel Rose the Oldest Son
was Born August the 27 in
Benjamin Rose born Febru
and his twin mate that was no
William Rose Born June
John Rose Born December 2
Semantha Rose Born Fe
Deborah Rose Born June 15

BIRTHS

The Father of
Children was Born August

The Mother of those Children
Year 1774
of Said Joseph Rose and Deborah
the Year of our lord 1800
ary 28th in the Year 1802
t named.
25 1804
1805
bruary 11 1807
1808

BIRTHS

Nancy Rose the 2nd Wife
of Joseph Rose was Born
on the 9 Day of April in
the year 1785
Louisa Rose the Oldest Child
of Said Nancy Rose
was Born October 18,, 1809
Coridon Rose was born
April 14 1812
Clarissa Rose was Born
July 9, 1814

DEATHS

Deborah Rose the Mother
of those Children Deceased this
Life the 12 Day of October
in the Year 1808
Benjamin Rose Deceased
this life the 28 April 1805
his Mate left time at the
age of too weaks old
*Joseph Rose died August 25th
1843 in North White Creek Aged
68 years
Clarifsa Rice died March 7
1844 in North White Creek Aged
29 years
Deborah Eldredge died in White
Creek April 20 1847 Aged 39 years
†Semantha Rose
died March 20 1858
in Glen Falls Aged
51 years
Louisa Rose died
March. 5. 1861. in Glenns
Falls Aged 51 years

* A later entry.
†Still later.

ADVERTISEMENT

I am very desirous of obtaining all material which will throw light on the early history of DeKalb county, and particularly Clinton township. I now have in my private library the following

RECORDS

I. A line for line transcript of the Johnson's Grove church records, 1852-1861, carefully and minutely indexed. (I am led to believe there was a second volume of records. Does any one know where it is?)

II. A line for line transcript of the Records of the Town Clerk of Clinton Township (first 69 pages, 1850-1859).

III. A line for line transcript of John Boston's Records as Justice of the Peace (first 21 pages, 1856).

IV. A complete transcript of the inscriptions in Johnson's Grove Cemetery, dating from 1848.

V. A transcript, about half complete, of the inscriptions in the North Clinton Cemetery.

VI. Gleanings from the Aurora Beacon, 1858-1866, of items relating to Clinton township and vicinity.

VII. Gleanings from the Newberry Library, Chicago, and other sources, relative to the genealogy of Waterman families.

A REQUEST

Elsewhere in this book will be found an old Bible record of the Rose family. If you have any records of this sort I want to copy them; or any record relating to your family or the early history of the town, such as old letters, wills, deeds, etc. If the history of your family has been, or is being, written, tell me about it, giving me the name and

address of the person writing it. Do not destroy any old letters or books without letting me see them.

WANTED

I have the advertising bills of the Old Settlers' Picnics from 1893 to date. The one for 1893 is reproduced elsewhere. I will pay from twenty-five cents to one dollar for each of the earlier bills according to condition. If you have one, write me.

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

Each summer I am accustomed to spend a considerable time in the Newberry Library of Chicago in genealogical research. As far as my time permits I shall be glad to accept commissions from others at reasonable rates. If you are interested, write for further particulars and terms. The Newberry Library offers exceptional opportunities for this work, one room containing thousands of volumes carefully indexed being devoted to genealogy exclusively. My acquaintance with the library and experience in the work enables me to serve you better than you could yourself.

G. E. CONGDON.

THE WATERMAN YEAR BOOK 1902

The Year Book for 1902 is very similar to the present volume. There are the same four divisions: Chronology, Biography, Directory and Miscellaneous. The Chronology contains 179 items. Biographies of the following persons appear in the book:

Beveridge, W. G.
Bradbury, Alfred
Cole, Mrs. B. A.
Darnell, Mrs. Eli
Darnell, Henry B.
Deming, Mrs. Emmet G.
Graham, Thomas
Hicks, Mrs. E. W.
Kirkpatrick, Mertie E.
Macklin, Dr. G. M.
McAllister, Mrs. J. W.
McEachron, Thomas
Potter, Mrs. William
Pritchard, Mrs. R. M.
Rollins, G. W.
Rose, Mrs. H. M.
Smith, Mrs. C. E.
Stern, John
Stram, Mrs. C. M.
Walker, Mary
Wesson, M. D.
Yearnshaw, Mrs. Wm.

COMMENDATIONS

Should be in every DeKalb county library.—Sycamore True Republican.

Very carefully and accurately compiled.—Sandwich Free Press.

A splendid production. Every person in this locality should have a copy.—Shabbona Express.

Of permanent value and interest.—Sac Sun, Sac City, Iowa.

A commendable way of preserving the vital statistics of a western town, that might be imitated by its neighbors. —Hartford (Conn.) Times.

Sent postpaid on receipt of twenty-five cents.

G. E. CONGDON, Sac City, Iowa.

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